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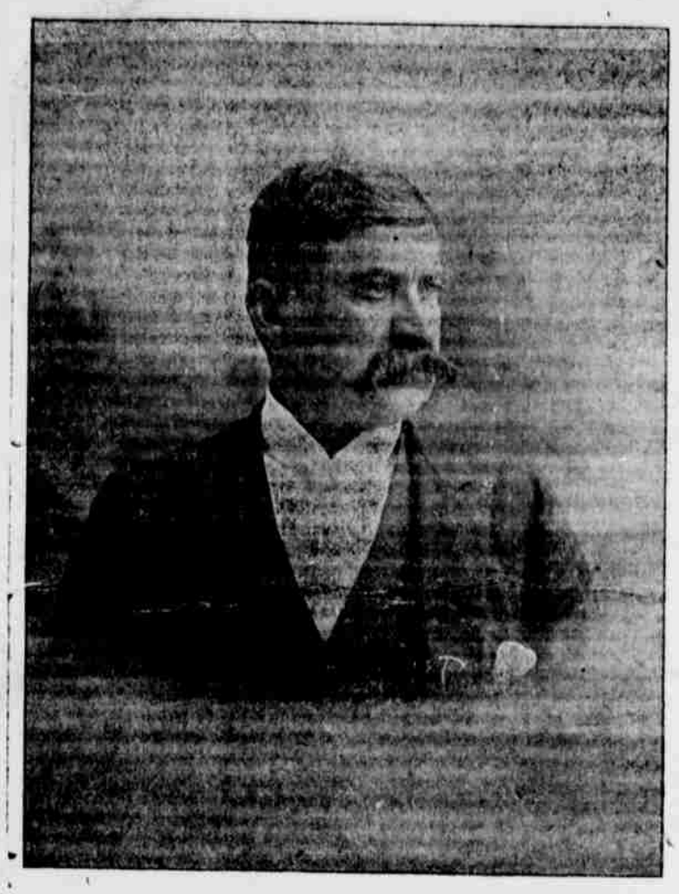

WILLIAM H. HENRIE, PROTHONOTARY.

GEO. S. FLECKENSTINE, COUNTY TREASURER.

NEW COUNTY OFFICIALS.

Prothonotary, Treasurer, County Commissioners, and Register and Recorder Sworn in, and Entered Upon Their Duties on Monday.

County Auditors at Work.

Monday was a busy day at the Court House, it neing the time fixed by law for the newly elected county officers to assume the duties of their offices. William H. Henrie came over from Catawissa at nine o'clock, and went into the Prothonotary's office where G. M. Quick awaited him, and after giving the necessary instructions Mr. Quick turned the office over to his successor. R. Rush Zarr, Esq., was installed as deputy Prothonotary. Mr. Henrie was accompanied by a number of his friends who came over to see him enter upon his official position. He had many callers during the day, who went in to shake his hands and welcome him to Bloomsburg.

County Commissioners John N. Gordon, William Krickbaum and Nehemiah Kitchen took possession of their office, and settled down to business at once, as there is always plenty of work for an incoming board. The room was well filled with visitors, some of whom came out of curiosity, some had business to transact, and others were applicants for positions to be filled by appointment of the Commissioners. The board organized by electing J. N. Gordon president, and William Krickbaum secretary. W. H. Rhawn, solicitor for the old board, and C. M. Terwilliger, clerk, were present, and offered any assistance that they could give. Mr. Terwilliger was retained as clerk temporarily.

Register and Recorder C. B. Ent is his own successor, and Miss Nellie Ent will continue to act as his deputy.

Geo. S. Fleckenstine was sworn in as County Treasurer, and took possession of the office.

The County Auditors, W. F. Stohner, J. B. Yetter and Boyd Trescott were in the court house waiting to enter upon the task of examining the accounts for the past year, but the statement was not ready for them, there being some clerical work necessary to complete it.

The county auditors settled down to work on Monday afternoon. On Tuesday afternoon the commissioners balloted for clerk. On the first vote it stood as follows:

Gordon voted for J. W. Hidlay.
Kitchen voted for E. H. Harrar.
Krickbaum voted for C. M. Terwilliger.

On the second ballot the result was:
Gordon for Freeze Quick.
Kitchen for Harrar.
Krickbaum for Terwilliger.

The third time did the business, Gordon voting for Daniel Z. Mensch, Kitchen for Harrar, and Krickbaum for Mensch, and securing the latter's election.

Mr. Mensch is a son of John S. Mensch of Montour, and a young man of excellent character.

He is well qualified, having graduated at the Normal School in 1889, and in the Business Course at Eastman's College, Poughkeepsie, in 1893. Since his graduation he has been engaged most of the time in teaching school.

The salary of the clerk has been fixed at $800 a year, he to pay for any assistance that may be required in the office. Last year the county paid $111,00 for extra work.

The salary of Janitor at the jail has been fixed at $20.50 per month, but no appointment was made up to Wednesday afternoon.

Eighteen ballots were taken by the commissioners on Tuesday for Court Crier and Janitor, with no result.

COLUMBIA COUNTY SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

A sheet containing the statistics of the Sunday schools of this county has been published, and we have received one from A. W. Spear, secretary. From it we find the following persons are the district presidents: Beaver, N. N. Ney; Benton, R. W. Smith; Berwick, Dr. W. E. Michael; Bloomsburg, W. R. Kocher; Briarcreek, Dr. L. J. Adams; Catawissa, A. Berninger: Centralia, Nicholas Wills; Conyngham, William Beaver; Center, R. Kocher; Cleveland, W. H. Gable; Fishingcreek, A. A. Pealer; Franklin, Mrs. J. Kostenbauder; E. Greenwood, I. M. Betz; W. Greenwood, W. C. Thomas; Hemlock, Claude Masteller; Jackson, A. B. Mendenhall; Locust, C. W. Yeager; Madison, J. H. Henrie; Main, J. B. Nuss; Mifflin, J. W. Wintersteen; Millville, Boyd Trescott; Montour, Arthur Roberts; Mt. Pleasant, L. P Kline; Orange, L. C. Williams; Pine, R. F. Whitmoyer; Roaringcreek, A. W. Whitner; Scott, J. C. Creveling; Sugarloaf, C. M. Laubach.

There are 42 M. E. Sunday schools, with 5379 teachers and scholars; 41 Union Sunday schools, with 3130 teachers and scholars; 14 Evangelical with 1348 teachers and scholars; 9 Lutheran, general synod, with 1434 members; 5 Presbyterian, with 858 members; 6 Reformed, with 709 members; 5 Baptist, with 594 members; 5 Episcopal, with 308 members; 4 United Brethren, with 349 members; 3 Christian, with 250 members; 1 Friends, with 188 members; 1 Methodist Protestant, with 84 members; 1 African M. E. with 24 members; 6 Lutheran, general council, with 944 members, making a total of teachers and scholars of 15599. The whole number in 1893 was 13784, and in 1895 it was 14713.

It will be remembered that the Town Council offered $500 reward and William Krickbaum $25, for the arrest and conviction of the party or parties who dynamited the Waller residence last September. They will not be called upon to pay however as Mr. Waller will pay all expenses connected with the affair.

Instead of his usual evening sermons, a clergyman of New York is reading to his congregation a continued story called "Jake the Merchant," which he wrote himself. The public opinion as to the correctness of this change is about evenly divided.

Court Proceedings.

Court convened on Saturday morning at 9 o'clock with Judge Ikeler and Associates Murphy and Millard on the bench.

Order of Court filed ordering venire for 48 traverse jurors for Oyer and Terminer and Quarter Sessions next term.

At a meeting of the Columbia County Bar Association regularly called and held at 9 a. m. the following, was "On motion, Resolved that the rule of Court as to the admission of Attorneys to the Bar of Columbia County be suspended to permit the admission of G. M. Quick Esq., as a member of said Bar in recognition of his 16 years continuous and particularly efficient service as Prothonotary and Clerk of the several courts of said county. And that the Bar hereby join with the Board of Examiners in recommending his admission." Unanimously adopted.

Same day upon motion of John G. Freeze Esq., G. M. Quick sworn and admitted to practice as an attorney-at-law of the several Courts of Columbia County, his honor Judge Ikeler administering the oath.

Sale ordered in estate of Wm. Yorgey, deceased.

Partition awarded in estate of Adam Utt, deceased.

Sale ordered in estate of Jacob H. Fritz, deceased.

Order of Court filed, ordering twelve more jurymen to be drawn.

The following petition was presented:

To the Honorable Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of Columbia County: Whereas, the Hon. Chas. G. Murphy, one of the Associate Judges of this County, is about to retire from the Bench, after a continuous service of ten years.

And Whereas, we, the undersigned members of the Bar of Columbia County desiring to express our appreciation of the ability with which Judge Murphy has discharged the duties of his office, and the courtesy which he has uniformly extended to the members of the Bar.

Therefore Pray Your Honors that this memorandum may be filed, and directed to be spread at large upon the records of the Court by the Prothonotary and we will ever pray etc.

Signed by 21 members of the Bar.

In the matter of the dissolution of the Bloomsburg Belt R. R., Co. Next Saturday at 11:00 a. m. fixed for a hearing.

Cook vs. Rush Cook. Subpœna in divorce awarded.

Commonwealth vs. H. W. Smith. Habeas Corpus hearing. The County is directed to pay the costs.

License Court will be held Monday, January 18th. Other Court on Thursday January 21st.

W. A. Evert appointed auditor of public accounts.

JUDGE MURPHY.

Hon. C. G. Murphy completed ten years on the bench as an Associate Judge, on Monday last. Within that time he has performed the usual duties of an associate with courtesy, honestly, fairly and impartially. He has been a useful member of the court, frequently administering the oath to witnesses, a few times keeping the court minutes, and on one occasion when Judge Elwell was ill he charged the grand jury, and did it well. He leaves the bench with the respect and best wishes of the bar and the public.

Contagious Diseases in Schools.

The Directors of the Bloomsburg Public Schools, in order to prevent the spreading of contagious diseases, request the attention of all parents sending children to our public schools, to the following regulations issued by the State Board of Health of Pennsylvania. The Directors feel it their duty to enforce these regulations in order to preserve the health of the public schools in Bloomsburg. Attendance is prohibited as follows:

Small Pox—Six weeks from the commencement of the disease, if every scab has fallen off.

Chicken Pox—Three weeks from the commencement of the disease, if every scab has fallen off.

Scarlet Fever—Six weeks from the commencement of the disease, if the peeling has ceased and there is no sore nose.

Diphtheria—Six weeks from the commencement of the disease, if sore throat and other signs of the disease have disappeared.

Measles—Three weeks from the commencement of the disease, if all rash and cough have ceased.

Mumps—Three weeks from the commencement of the disease, if all swelling has subsided.

Typhus—Four weeks from the commencement of the disease, if strength is re established.

Typhoid—Six weeks from the commencement of the disease, if strength is re-established.

Whooping Cough.—Six weeks from the commencement of the disease, if all cough has ceased.

Under judicious treatment the period of infectiousness may be considerably shortened, but no child suffering as above should be admitted to any school after a shorter period of absence, and should be provided with a medical certificate that he or she is not liable to communicate the disease.

Length of Quarantine—Teachers or children who have been exposed to infection from any of the following diseases may safely be readmitted to the school, if they remain in good health (and have taken proper means for disinfection), after the following periods of quarantine: Diphtheria, 12 days; scarlet fever, 14 days, small pox, 18 days; chicken pox, 18 days; mumps, 24 days; whooping cough, 21 days. Adults may be readmitted immediately, if they disinfect their clothes and persons—*Regulations, State Board of Health of Pennsylvania.*

G. M. Quick, Esq., went out of the Prothonotary's office last Monday, bearing with him the good wishes of a host of friends. He has served in that office for the past sixteen years, having been deputy under William Krickbaum for four years, under W. H. Snyder for six years, and two terms as Prothonotary. He has made a courteous and obliging official, and his knowledge of the records and files is wonderful. It was only necessary to tell him what was wanted, and he could put his hands on it if it was in the office. Having been admitted to the bar, he will probably devote his time to law practice.

His efficient deputy, Freeze Quick, who deserves commendation for the faithful discharge of his duties, vacated at the same time.

The Young Men's Christian Association assisted by the Ladies Auxiliary, conducted a very successful open house service in the Y. M. C. A. Hall on Friday. Elegant provision was made by the ladies, and all who attended came away delighted.

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THE STUDENTS' LECTURE COURSE.

Next Monday evening will be the opening night of the *Students' Lecture Course* for this school year.

The utmost care has been taken to make every single number of the course the very best that time, and careful inquiry, and money could secure.

The actual cost of the entertainments, not including any incidentals, is six hundred dollars.

We have decided also, to place this course of lectures within the reach financially, of every citizen of Bloomsburg and vicinity.

The cost of course tickets has been fixed at $1.00. Single admission to any of the numbers will be 50c. You can easily calculate what is saved to you between buying a course ticket for five entertainments, for $1.00 or paying 50c each time for five entertainments. We are trying to save money for you, and yet give you a series of superb lectures.

Here is a list of them:

The Kellogg Bird Carnival and Concert Co., will be here on Monday evening, Jan. 11.

Following this will come, Mr. George Kennan, the wonderful Siberian explorer.

Mr. Leland T. Powers, the Prince of entertainers.

Rev. Anna Shaw, who so much delighted the large audience last year.

Rev. Gunsaulus, who ranks easily, as the foremost orator and lecturer on the American platform.

All these for $1.00 an average of 20c. each.

Cannot any one afford to miss this course of lectures.

The diagram will be open at Slate's book store Wednesday, Jan. 6, at 10 A. M.

The Managment.

The work of felling the jury wheel was completed on Friday. Jury Commissioner Laubach went home on Friday night, but he had no more than reached home, when he received word to come back on Saturday to draw twelve additional jurors to make an oyer and terminer panel, with which to try the Waller dynamite case at the February term of court.

William H., aged thirteen years, only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Sherwood, who reside on the corner of Centre and Fourth Streets, passed from earth to the great beyond on the 3rd inst. He was taken sick over a year ago, but seemed to get better, and his parents hoped for his complete recovery, until Bright's Disease set in, which resulted in his death on Sunday afternoon at four o'ciock. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at two o'cleck. The sympathy of the whole community is with the bereaved family.

Now that the winter term at the Normal has commenced, and the students are all back again, we will soon be able to see some good basket ball games. The team this year is said to be as good as last year's, but they will need some practice to get into condition. We have not heard of what games they have scheduled, only the game with the University of Pennsylvania, which according to the University's list published in the Phila. *Press* some time ago, will take place on the evening of February 6th, when the gymnasium will no doubt be filled to its utmost capacity.

R. D. Appleman of Alvo, Nebraska, has been a reader of The Columbian for many years. In a recent letter containing a check to pay his subscription in advance, he says that times are dull out there owing to the low prices of grain. The crops were good this year, corn averaging fifty bushels to the acre. Oats and wheat crops were not so good. Corn is selling for 12 cents, oats 10 cents, wheat 45 to 55 cents, hogs 2 cents a pound, and horses are a drug in the market.

Several cities in Pennsylvania have passed a curfew ordinance, which forbids all persons under seventeen years of age from being on the streets alone after 7 o'clock in the evening during the months from September to April, and after 9 o'clock in the other months of the year. The penalty is fixed from $3 to $10 fine. Parents are made liable for failure to keep their children off the streets after those hours. Such an ordinance would prove beneficial to every city or town.

THE HAUNTING DREAM.

Last night a melancholy dream
Pursued me down the gulfs of sleep,
Like some great bird that flits a-gleam
In a ship's wake on the lone deep.

Of those dreams it was so sweet,
And subtly sad, that when I woke,
And rose, and went into the street,
I dreamt, although I moved and spoke.

I dreamt although my hands and brain
Were busy in the jarring noon;
I dreamt till night came round again,
And now I dream, watching the moon.

Oh, for the joy that might have been,
Oh, for the joy that shall not be,
And that which thou hast never seen,
And that which thou mayst never see!

—Victor Plarr.

Tragedy or Comedy

There were eight of us all told. We composed a constellation of dramatic "stars" and a brass band. There was Rawdon, who was "billed" under two or three names which he variously used when he doubled or trebled, as the case might be; and there was Mrs. Rawdon, his wife, who did the heavy old ladies; and Miss Rawdon, who was the same person reduced to celibacy when going on for chambermaids. Also there were Tonless and his wife, who styled themselves the juveniles, but who considered themselves extremely fortunate if they personated less than four characters each at any performance.

Alfred Morley and Edgar Watteau were the remaining actice members of the company, and active members they literally were, never having less than four or five parts. They impersonated princes and beggars, dukes and detectives, with equal ease and skill, and sometimes all four characters in the same piece.

It was a great wonder how they ever remembered what their names were in the plays, but a greated wonder how they had any of their beautiful curly hair left; for the frantic manner in which they would rush R. and force on a wig while running around to enter L., and then rush off L. and repeat the wig-changing while getting round to enter R., would seem to have been enough to wear the capillary adornments off an Esau.

The two gentlemen left to make up the eight were the leader of the orchestra (whose duty it was, as soon as we reached a town, to scour the place for some musicians to lead, otherwise he had to do it alone and play both first and last fiddle), and Jim Handy, the property man, who did a little, and very often a great deal, of everything. He would disappear in the morning and return in time to take tickets that evening, having billed the company for two weeks ahead in other places ad interim. He was luggage superintendent, doorkeeper, flyman, bill distributor and stage carpenter, besides going on as a mob or army. When not otherwise engaged he held the prompt-book.

Of course there was a manager, but he didn't count for anything. Managers never do, except on one particular day each week; and sometimes even then they count for less than at any other time.

We were a contented little company and were quite happy among ourselves until a series of bad houses, and a postponement of the salary-day, made us gloomily prophetic and generally distrustful. Nor were our hopes in any way increased by observing long confidential conversations between Jim Handy and the manager.

We argued that that augured badly and so, after consultations innumerable among ourselves, we decided to request the manager to hand over our salaries. We drew lots to see who should demand the money, and it fell to Rawdon.

When that gentleman mustered up courage enough to go to the manager's room, he found that that worthy had just departed by the train for London, leaving behind a note stating he had gone to town to engage a great lady "star" and to get some printing done; that he would be back in two days, and that he had arranged with the landlord for our board and lodging. This was all true; and on the second day the manager returned, accompanied by the celebrated tragedienne, Miss——, but why mention her name, and it is possible that you have seen her act, and that is all you need to know.

She was a tall, stately, and handsome lady, and not at all averse to homage from the opposite sex. By the second night, therefore, she had fairly captivated all the gentlemen; but two of the men being married and quite out of the question, the field was left open to Alfred Morley and Edgar Watteau. These two gentlemen paid the lady all sorts of attentions, and fell desperately in love with her.

On the third evening the great tragedienne was honored by a call, and as she was coming off after having with great satisfaction acknowledged the favor, Morley stood ready to pull the curtain aside, so as to permit her to back off bowing. Just as she reached the entrance and was making her last bow, Morley was thrust aside, and Watteau, taking his place, held the curtain for the lovely actress, and received a sweet smile of thanks.

The eyes of Morley flashed fire to such an extent that a cigar could alhave been lit at them.

"Miscreant!" he hissed in the ear of Watteau. "You shall pay for this!"

"I shall, sir," answered Watteau.

"You shall hear from me to-morrow morn."

"I hope so," replied Watteau.

Then both scowling at each other, each one tapped his left hip—where the sword ought to be—turned up his nose, and snapping his fingers, as though tossing a pinch of salt over his shoulder, withdrew. The quarrel might, and probably would, have ended here, had it not been for Rawdon and Tonless, who, anxious for a bit of fun, kept the two rivals apart, and encouraged them in everything they suggested.

So, behold the adversaries on the field of honor; the ground measured, and everything ready for one to vanquish and the other to fall, with one trifling exception—the pistols were old-fashioned ones that had been made before flint-locks had gone out of use. They had been borrowed for the occasion from Jim, who had used them merely as ornaments for his villains, and if it was necessary for anybody to be killed in the piece, Mr. Handy fired off his only pistol in one of the wings.

When the fact that the pistols were useless became known, both principals who had been very pale before, began to scowl at each other with renewed vigor, and whispered each to his second that something must be done.

"Let them try swords. I have a pair of foils without buttons on them. I brought them in case of an emergency," said Mr. Rawdon, who was Watteau's second, to Mr. Tonless, the second of Morley.

"My principal knows nothing of quart and tierce," said Mr. Tonless.

"All the better," answered Mr. Rawdon; "neither does mine."

"My principal wishes me to state," said Mr. Tonless, "that neither of the principals know anything more of the sword exercise than that contained in the Richard the Third combat, but as your principal has invariably played Richmand to my principal's Richard it is manifest that that would be somewhat unfair. Yet we are determined to go on if you can suggest some mode of so doing."

"As your principal, Mr. Tonless," said Mr. Rawdon, "has played Claude Melnotte to my principal's Colonel Damas, I think that balances matters, and if there is to be a fight they'd better proceed."

"Enough!" said Mr. Tonless. "So let it be!"

At this dread word each of the principals bent the right knee, held the left hand high up in the air, and commenced to bore with the sword as though it were a huge brad-awl.

Slash came the weapons, and, at the same time, a loud scream was heard. The scream, or rather screams, came from the throats of Mrs. Rawdon and Mrs. Tonless, who, accompanied by the manager, here arrived upon the scene.

"Hold, upon your lives!" cried Mrs. Rawdon, in her heaviest tones.

As this was exactly what both principals had been endeavoring to do all the morning, the advice was pleasant to them, and they dropped their weapons.

"To fight for such a conceited minx as she is," said Mr. Rawdon, in contemptuous voice.

Mrs. R. had been cut out of all the heavy parts since the arrival of the star, and was a trifle jealous.

"What is all this about?" inquired the manager.

He was soon told, and then, bidding the four men follow him, he led them to the hotel and into the tragedienne's room. There, bidding them to be seated he left, and soon returned with Jim Handy.

"Tell Jim what the cause of the affair was," said he.

Rawdon thereupon told Jim how the duel was to be fought because each man loved the fair actress.

"Why, you fools," said Jim, "she's my wife; I've been married to her three years."

This put a different complexion on the whole affair. Mr. Morley at once said that he had been misunderstood by his second; for although he entertained the greatest respect for the great tragedienne, he had never had any feeling for her that could be called by the name of the tender passion. What had caused him to challenge his colleague was the insulting manner in which he had treated him.

Mr. Watteau said he held the same feelings of respect for the actress as his worthy friend, Mr. Morley, and further, on consideration, he felt he had treated Mr. Morley wrong; he was sorry for it, and begged his pardon like a man, a gentleman, and an actor.

Everybody then shook hands, and said everybody else had acted in a highly creditable manner, and so ended the great tragedy—or comedy.

Strange Superstition in Russia.

A curious case of gross superstition was recently brought before the Criminal Sessions Court at Samara, in Russia. Six peasants were tried and sentenced to imprisonment for terms of various duration up to four months for deliberately disinterring the body of a woman who had died of intoxication and floating it down the Volga as a means of causing rain. It seems to be quite a fixed belief among the Russian peasantry that throwing the dead body of a drunkard into the river is a sure cure for want of rain.

School Yards.

A most interesting and valuable vacation work has been done by the Massachusetts Emergency and Hygiene Society in order to make the vacation a happy time for poor children. Eleven school yards were open, where a few years ago the little ones had only the streets for a playground. Each yard was open about three hours a day, and the games were in charge of some merry, helpful grown person, able and willing to teach the children the best ways of employing their playtime.

Agriculture in the Schools.

The study of agriculture in the common schools is receiving the attention of many of the thinking men and women all over this country. The faculties of some of the agricultural colleges have taken up the discussion. The St. Louis Journal of Argrculture says: "Half the population of the United States live in the rural districts. Why not give them all a chance to understand the principles underlying their avocation?"

Mush and Glaciers.

A camper returning from the northern Rocky Mountains, where he had been exploring glaciers, a lively advocate of the use of cereals in camp, owns up in Harper's Weekly that perhaps he carried too far his advocacy of oatmeal, rice and hominy. He says: "I overheard one of the men discontentedly reply to one who asked if we had killed much game, 'Oh, no! we just lived on mush and glaciers during the whole trip.'"

On the Bright Side.

The optimist is one who sticks
So closely to the brighter side
He wouldn't walk within the shade.
Though from the heat he died.
—Detroit News.

A Timely Idea.

"No time like the present and no present like time," remarked the gay youth, as he presented his charmer with a watch.

THE CHICKEN COULD READ.

Case of Absolute Gameness on the One Hand and Knowledge of English on the Other.

This is an instance where the chicken could read. "It's a case of absolute gameness on the one hand and a knowledge of English on the other," remarked Deputy Collector of Customs Ozenne, of the Teche district, the other day. "I have what some people say is an inordinate fondness for game chickens. Well, I have a good reason for it, but that's not the question. About two weeks ago I concluded not to set any more game eggs on account of the lateness of the season, so I gathered a lot of the eggs deposited by the hens in various portions of the yard and placed them in a nest, intending to take them into the house for use there. Among the lot was an egg belonging to a 'dunghill' fowl, and this I marked 'no good' and placed with the others. Leaving the nest for an hour I found upon my return that a hen, one of the game ones, had taken possession and was setting for dear life. I thought I'd let her hatch, and the next morning when I went to the nest I found the egg marked 'no good' on the straw outside. Thinking it had fallen out I placed it again in the nest and left. The next day I again found the egg on the straw, and as I had placed it in the middle of the lot in the nest I thought this funny. I once more placed the egg in the nest, again in the centre of the lot, and then went outside. Hearing a noise in the chicken house a little while later I went back and found the hen looking at the eggs. In a moment she found what she wanted and proceeded to roll with her bill an egg from the nest to the ground. She rolled it several feet away, and then, as if reconsidering her intention to leave it thus, deliberately cracked the shell. I picked up the pieces and saw that it was the 'no good' egg. Not only had the hen been able to read, but she had been too dog-goned game to hatch a 'dung-hill' egg."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Sound Deductive Reasoning.

An amusing incident occurred in the Hope Chapel Sunday school last Sunday. The lesson of the day was found in the text, "For He shall gird you about with great strength." As the superintendent passed among the classes, he finally stopped at one composed of half a dozen pickaninnies, who were doing their best to absorb the explanations of their teacher.

"Well, Mrs. ——," he remarked, "are you getting along nicely to-day with the lesson?"

"Well, no," she replied. "I find it rather difficult to make the class understand it."

"Why, it shouldn't be so difficult," said the superintendent. "You understand what the word gird means, don't you, children?"

There were many dubious shakes of the head, but no replies in the affirmative.

"Why, now," he continued, as he moved his hands in front of him in imitation of a man tightening a belt, "supposing you were going to run a race, why would you tighten your belt?"

"To hold your pants up," squawked two of the youngsters in concert, and the superintendent turned his face to hide the smile that the conclusive deduction had produced.

Brown's Hard Luck.

"Hold on; I've got another hard luck story for you," exclaimed Brown. "Yesterday a pretty little spaniel took a fancy to me and followed me all over town. I swore at him, chased him and threw rocks at him, but he would sneak back as soon as my back was turned and I would find him at my heels in a moment.

"He followed me all day, till about 4 o'clock, when I happened to step into a market street cigar store. There I read a placard giving a description of the dog that had been following me and offering $15 reward for his return to his owner, who has an office up stairs. I was just in time to see a messenger boy going up stairs with the dog under his arm to get the reward."—San Francisco Post.

Even With the Editor.

Poetic-looking Young Man — "I've with this manuscript—"

Clever Comic Editor—"Shove it in the waste paper basket, please. I'm very busy now and haven't time to do it my self."

"Poetic-looking Young Man (throwing the manuscript in the waste paper basket)—"I've come from the ——Theatre, and the manuscript I have just thrown in the waste paper basket is your comic drama, which the manager begs me to return to you with thanks—many thanks. He suggests you should sell it to an undertaker, to be read at a funeral."

Exit poetic-looking individual, gently smiling.—London Tid-Bits.

It's Location.

"Ah, for a lame back, I presume?" inquired the druggist, suavely.

"No," replied the callow poet, who had asked for a porous plaster, "for writer's cramp."

"Pardon me, but how can you supply it to your wrist?"

"It isn't my wrist—it's in my stomach."—Truth.

Compensation to All Things.

"There is one thing that I must say for Blowhard and that dangnation trombone of his."

"What's that?"

"He has driven all the cats into another neighborhood to do their serenading."—Detroit Free Press.

Wrecked.

A girl, a wheel,
A shock, a squeal,
A heater, a thump,
A girl in a lump,
A bloomer all torn,
A maiden forlorn.
—Springfield Monitor.

A Man of Peace.

Mudge—No, I shall not quarrel with Parsons. He is completely beneath my notice.

Yabsley—You don't tell us? I didn't know he was so good a fighter as that.—Indianapolis Journal.

The Sense of Touch.

The sense of touch is the simplest, but at the same time one of the most important special senses of the human organism. It is possessed by nearly all portions of the general surface of the body, but finds its highest development in the hands.

The true skin contains multitudes of nerve filaments arranged in rows of papillæ, about one-hundredth of an inch in length. It is estimated that there are 20,000 of these papillæ in a square inch of the palmar surface of the hand. The cuticle is absolutely essential to the sensation of touch, for when the true skin is laid bare by a burn or blister, the only feeling that it experiences from contact is one of pain, not that of touch. The cuticle shields the nerve filaments from direct contact with external objects. Touch is most delicate at the tips of the fingers, and the hand is one of the most important organs.

Buffon declares that with fingers twice as numerous and twice as long we would become proportionately wiser. Galen, however, taught that man is the wisest of animals, not because he possesses the hand, but because he is the wisest and understands its use the hand has been given to him; for his mind, not his hand, has taught him the arts. Exquisite delicacy of touch is attained by practice. Without it the skill of the painter, sculptor and musician would be rude indeed.—Jenness Miller's *Monthly*.

Fire at Lewistown, Saturday, destroyed fifteen stables, including two liveries; W. A. Felix's wholesale grocery, W. H. Felix's undertaking establishment, Spangler's tinware manufacturing department, and Peter Dreyer's barber shop and dwelling. The Miller House was badly damaged. The loss will amount to between $35,000 and $40,000. It is nearly all covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown.

While reading a letter from her sister and walking on the railroad, at Mosgrove, Lycoming County, Nora Reed was killed by a train on Friday.

An unknown man was cut in two by a Western Maryland train near York, on Friday.

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From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1, 1897.

No President, not even Andy Johnson, ever held a New Year reception that was attended by fewer Senators and Representatives than were at the White House to-day. The President gave no sign indicating that he noticed their absence, but it is nevertheless certain that he did. Otherwise the reception was a great success. Mrs. Cleveland never looked better, the cortege of lady assistants never displayed more elegant costumes, the diplomatic corps never made a more gorgeous showing, and the army, navy and marine officers were out in force in spick and span new uniforms with gold lace and buttons galore.

The Cuban question is awaiting the reassembling of Congress next week, although there are daily, almost hourly, reports of steps being taken either in Spain, or by General Weyler, or by Secretary Olney and the Spanish Minister, which will result in placing it where there will be no occasion for Congress to act upon it. That most of these rumors are orginated by persons who are either friendly towards Spain or at least opposed to any action by the present Congress is generally believed in Washington. The opinion is growing that they will be successful, at least to the extent of postponing action until after McKinley assumes office. In fact, that purpose was practically accomplished when the Republican leaders of the House decided that nothing should be done.

The Democratic National Committee makes no secret of using all the influence it can command towards bringing about the re-election of Senator Dubois, of Idaho, who is being opposed by Hanna and his crowd, because he followed his convictions and supported the Democratic platform and ticket in the late campaign, and because they think his defeat would result in frightening other silver Senators in continuing to act with the Republican party. Most Democrats who know the active part Dubois took in fighting for Bryan endorse Senator Blachburn's language: "We owe Dubois a debt of gratitude, and nothing should be allowed to stand in the way of its settlement. It is a debt of honor, and, like all debts of honor, should be paid in advance of all other obligations."

Gen. Wheeler, of Alabama, one of the Democratic members of the House committee on Ways and Means, who is carefully attending the tariff hearings now in progress, although he knows that he and his Democratic colleagues will not be allowed to have any hand in making the tariff bill, is always emphatic in speech and often dramatic. Nobody was surprised, therefore, when Mr. W. R. Craig, of Vicksburg, Miss., as the representative of the cotton growers of the Mississippi Valley, appeared before the Committee and asked that a duty of 3 cents a pound be put on Egyptian cotton, to see the wiry old soldier stiffen up and to hear him say: "The South would be selling its birthright for a mess of pottage to ask for this protection." Representative Payne thought to faze Gen. Wheeler when he asked him, "What do you call its birthright?" Without turning a hair the Alabamian replied: "Free institutions, free trade, free everything."

Senator Call's term expires March 3rd, and the Florida legislature which will elect his successor does not meet until April, so that if McKinley calls the extra session together in March, Florida will for a time have only one Senator. According to a member of the Florida legislature, who is now in Washington, Senator Call will certainly be his own successor, notwithstanding the red hot fight which is being made against him. This gentleman says: "The only way that Senator Call can be defeated for re-election is to cede the State back to Spain or abolish the office. I am a member of the Farmers' Alliance, and as a great majority of the members of the legislature are Farmers' Alliance men, and not lawyers, I know what I am talking about."

At a public meeting of the McKinley and Hobart club of this city, ex-Commissioner Douglass said that the club organization would be kept up for the purpose of supporting McKinley and Hobart in 1900. When a friend told Speaker Reed about that speech, his only comment was "huh". Mr. Reed knows that it isn't the ticket of 1900, but the offices of '97, that the "ex" and the other members of the club are worried about.

One thing has been made very clear by the first week of the tariff hearings. That is, that the men who have asked for higher duties, on the ground that their business under the present tariff is unprofitable, must have had a big surplus to draw upon. None of them looked like men engaged in unprofitable occupations. On the contrary, to a man they appeared well-dressed, well-fed and prosperous, and if they haven't been making money they must have inherited money. They certainly didn't look like men who were "hard up."

MAKING CENTS OF ALUMINUM.

Tests at the Mints to See if Such a Thing is Practicable.

In the short period that will elapse before Congress convenes again in December a series of interesting experiments in coinage will be conducted at the mint in this city. Metals and alloys heretofore untried for the purpose will be tested and stamped into tokens coins. Their availability as substitutes for the alloys of which the minor coins—nickels and cents—are now made will be ascertained and samples submitted to Congress.

Of all the countless possible alloys to be obtained from copper, tin, nickel and aluminum in different combinations, perhaps fifteen or twenty may be found fairly satisfactory. It is possible that one or two of these may advantageously be brought into use for general coinage. No fault has been found with the present cent and five-cent pieces. The experiments are merely ordered to keep in touch with the times and to gain a knowledge of resources. The Philadelphia mint, while having no regular experimental department, is well equipped to make the tests.

Aluminum, which has never yet found a place in the currency of any nation, is to be worked up into trial coins. It is also to be given a chance in new alloys. Aluminum is a metal of which but little has been known until recently, and it has been found useful in so many ways that a popular idea prevails that it would be good for coins. Chief among its advantages would be its very light weight. Cents made of it could readily be distinguished from coins of the same size by this remarkable lightness alone.

Dr. D. K. Tuttle, the chief refiner at the mint, who knows all about the properties of metals, is somewhat skeptical, however, as to whether aluminum will come out of the proposed tests with flying colors. It is extremely difficult to anneal, and when heated will suddenly run like butter instead of becoming plastic. There would be trouble in rolling it into the long strips from which disks are cut preparatory to stamping. Of course, it can be worked, but not with sufficient ease and rapidity to make it practicable for coining on a large scale.

Pure nickel has recently been coined in Switzerland, but it has been found just as difficult to handle as aluminum though for a different reason. Such great heat is necessary to bring it into condition for coining that the operation is slow and expensive. While pure nickel coin might satisfactorily be made in the mints of Switzerland, it does not follow that the same would be true at the Philadelphia mint, which is called upon to turn out fifty times as many five-cent pieces as the mints of that country, and could not spare the time to work over them.

The five-cent coin now in use contains only 25 per cent nickel, the remaining 75 per cent. being of copper. Nickel, more than any other metal, has the property of giving its color to an alloy. Even an alloy of 90 per cent of copper and ten per cent. of nickel will be nearly white. The advantage of using a greater proportion of nickel in the five-cent piece is therefore not apparent, especially as more than twenty-five per cent. of it makes the alloy refractory.

The experiments at the mint will include different combinations of nickel, copper, and zinc, forming the alloys known under the head of German silver; copper and tin, which produce bronze; aluminum and copper, which make aluminum bronze. German silver has been used for coins by one of the small South American States, and proved fairly adapted for the purpose.

Bronze is commonly used for coins of small value. It is doubtful if aluminum bronze in any form will be found acceptable, as it is hard to work and has a yellow brassy appearance, resembling gold, which is to be avoided in all coins of small denominations.—Philadelphia Press.

Economical.

Brown—I understand your wife is a great saver, especially on little things?

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EARLY AMERICAN DOCTORS.

Peculiarities of a Medical Education and Queer Methods of Practice.

It may be well to refer to the method of obtaining a medical profession in the early days. There were but two schools of medicine in the country—the one at Harvard College, just established, and that at New Haven, organized in 1784. But by reason of the dangers and expense of traveling they were by no means well attended.

In general, the medical education was such as the student could pick up by serving as an apprentice to some noted practitioner, which combined the duties of a student with many menial affairs. He ground the powders, mixed the pills, rode with the doctor on his rounds, held the basin when the patient was bled, helped to adjust the plasters, sew wounds, and run with the vials of medicine from one end of town to the other. It was a white day when such a young man enjoyed the rare good fortune of dissecting a half putrid arm. So great, indeed, was the difficulty of obtaining anatomical subjects that the medical school at Harvard College made a single body do duty for a whole year.

Under such circumstances the doctor's knowledge was practical, and derived from personal experience rather than from books. The advantages of study were sparingly enjoyed. Few physicians boasted of a library of fifty volumes.

His apprenticeship ended, the student returned to his native town to assume the practice of medicine. At that period, with the exception of the minister and the Judge, the doctor was the most important personage in the community. His genial face, his engaging manners, the sincerity with which he inquired after the carpenter's daughter, and the interest he took in the family of the poorest laborer, made him the favorite for miles around. He knew the names and personal history of the occupants of every house he passed. The farmers' lads pulled off their hats to him, and the girls dropped courtesies as he passed. Sunshine and rain, daylight and darkness, were alike to him. He would ride ten miles in the darkest night over the worst of roads in a pelting storm to administer a dose of calomel to an old woman or attend a child in a fit.

The drugs were stowed away on the shelves of the village store, among heaps of shoes, Rohan hats, packages of seeds, and flitches of bacon.

The physician was compelled to compound his own drugs, make his own tinctures, and put up his own prescriptions. His saddle bag was the only drug store within forty miles. Each spring the blood must be purified, the kidneys excited, and the damsel who fainted profusely bled. Large doses of senna and manna, and rhubarb and molasses must be taken daily. It is safe to say that more medicine was taken every year by the well than is now taken by the sick in the same time.

Water was denied the patient tormented with fever. In its stead was given a small quantity of clam juice. Mercury was taken until the lips turned blue and the gums fell away from the teeth.

The writer has a vivid recollection when eight years old, in a raging fever pleading for water, the nurse handed the pitcher and the child satisfied her burning thirst. Her brother, overhearing what was going on, rushed into the room exclaiming: "You will kill her," but it was too late.—American Monthly Magazine.

Queer Accident to a Freight Car.

A very peculiar mishap to a freight train has just come to the attention of the motive power department of the Panhandle in this city, and in its details it assumes the nature of a miracle as strange as those of old. The train was running at a rapid rate between Xenia and Trebeins, a distance of four miles, when the trucks of one of the cars gave way and jumped onto the tracks of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton road, which runs parallel with the Pennsylvania at that point. The trucks lighted squarely on the rails, and continued running until they smashed into a pilot of the Cincinnati Hamilton and Dayton engine running in the opposite direction. The Panhandle train evidently did not suffer any inconvenience owing to the loss of trucks, as it was not discovered until Thebeina was reached, and then it was found that the body of the freight car was held in position by the couplings and had run two miles without any wheels. The accident is perhaps without a parallel in annals of railways.—Columbus (Ohio) Press.

Du Maurier's Famous Double.

In appearance Du Maurier, with his plentiful hair lightly parted somewhere about the middle, his beard of slightly foreign cut and soft, expressive eyes, bore a resemblance, which was frequently the subject of comment to another famous artist in the person of Mr. Alma Tadema. So close was the likeness, indeed, that mistakes on more than one occasion are said to have been caused thereby. Thus the story is told how in one instance a young lady who went up to DuMaurier with the request that he would add his name to her collection of autographs, remarking at the same time on the stupidity of people who confounded him with Mr. Tadema, was herself confounded by perceiving when he had gratified her request that the signature he had written was that of "L. Alma Tadema."—London Chronicle.

Animals That Never Drink.

The llamas of Patagonia, and the doreas and gazelles of Abyssinia, are reputed nondrinkers. A parrot lived 52 years in the Zoological Gardens, Regent's Park, without drinking a drop of water, and many naturalists believe the only moisture imbibed by wild rabbits is derived from green herbage laden with dew. Many reptiles—serpents, lizards, and certain batrachians—live and thrive in places entirely devoid of water, and sloths are also said never to drink. An arid district in France has produced a race of non-drinking cows and sheep, and from the milk of the former Rochefort cheese is made. There is a species of mouse which has established itself on the waterless plains of Western America, and which flourishes, notwithstanding the absence of moisture.

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The Friar Was Frank.

"An old fellow played the Friar when I was doing Romeo once in England," said an actor. "The flat stuck in the scene in the Friar's cell, and the stage hands couldn't get it joined for some seconds. Then the ruffians in the gallery began to howl. One or two of them hissed. The Friar went to the foothights and roared at them: 'Stop your bloody noise up there. Haven't you ever seen a scene stuck before? You're a blooming lot of chumps, that's what you are. There isn't a decent man among you. You've seen worse acting than you're seeing now. Why didn't you hiss that, blame you?'

"Well, the old fellow went on in the most awful way, using swear words at a prodigious rate. Then he noticed that the scene was in place, and he turned up the stage and called out, 'Romeo, come forth.' The change from that man ripping out oaths—a monk, too—to the Friar of the piece was nearly enough to set me off, and I could hardly get through the scene."—*New York Sun.*

Evangelist Moody on Monday inaugurated a religious movement by which he hopes to convert all the people of greater New York.

Massachusetts colored people on Saturday celebrated the thirty-fourth anniversary of President Lincoln, singing the Emancipation Proclamation.

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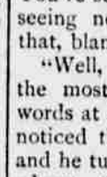

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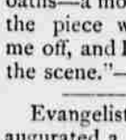

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STATIONS.	EAST. A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
NORTHUMBERLAND	6 25	1.50	10 05	5 50
Cameron	6 38	.....	.....	6 03
Chulasky	.....	.....	.....	6 07
Danville	6 50	2 12	10 26	6 13
Catawissa	7 03	2 26	10 39	6 28
Rupert	7 09	2 31	10 44	6 33
Bloomsburg	7 15	2 36	10 49	6 39
Espy	7 23	2 42	.....	6 45
Lime Ridge	7 30	2 48	.....	6 52
Willow Grove	7 34	2 52	.....	6 56
Briarcreek	7 38	.....	.....	7 00
Berwick	7 48	3 01	11 12	7 06
Beach Haven	7 54	3 07	11 18	7 12
Hick's Ferry	8 00	3 13	.....	7 19
Shickshinny	8 10	3 24	11 33	7 35
Hunlock's	8 20	3 34	.....	7 4
Nanticoke	8 27	3 42	11 49	7 54
Avondale	8 32	3 47	.....	7 58
Plymouth	8 37	3 52	11 56	8 03
Plymouth Junction	8 42	3 57	.....	8 07
Kingston	8 50	4 05	12 05	8 12
Bennett	8 53	4 08	.....	8 16
Forty Fort	8 56	4 11	.....	8 19
Wyoming	9 01	4 17	12 16	8 25
West Pittston	9 06	4 22	.....	8 30
Susquehanna Ave	9 10	4 25	12 23	8 33
Pittston	9 15	4 30	12 26	8 39
Duryea	9 19	4 34	.....	8 44
Lackawanna	9 24	4 37	.....	8 48
Taylor	9 32	4 45	12 40	8 57
Bellevue	9 37	4 50	.....	9 02
SCRANTON	9 42	4 55	12 48	9 07
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SCRANTON	6 00	9 55	1 55	6 0
Bellevue	6 05	.....	.....	.....
Taylor	6 10	10 04	2 05	6 10
Lackawanna	6 18	10 11	2 13	6 17
Duryea	6 22	10 14	2 16	6 21
Pittston	6 28	10 18	2 20	6 2
Susquehanna Ave	6 32	10 21	2 23	6 28
West Pittston	6 35	10 24	2 27	6 31
Wyoming	6 40	10 29	2 32	6 36
Forty Fort	6 45	.....	.....	.....
Bennett	6 48	10 36	2 39	6 44
Kingston	6 54	10 39	2 45	6 53
Plymouth Junction	6 59	10 43	2 51	.....
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Avondale	7 09	.....	2 58	7 07
Nanticoke	7 14	10 54	3 04	7 12
Hunlock's	7 20	11 00	3 10	7 20
Shickshinny	7 31	11 10	3 24	7 35
Hick's Ferry	7 44	11 23	3 55	7 47
Beach Haven	7 54	11 32	3 42	7 55
Berwick	8 00	11 40	3 49	8 00
Briarcreek	8 06	.....	3 55	.....
Willow Grove	8 10	11 50	3 59	8 11
Lime Ridge	8 14	11 56	4 04	8 1
Espy	8 21	12 04	4 11	8 2
Bloomsburg	8 28	12 12	4 17	8 30
Rupert	8 34	12 18	4 23	8 36
Catawissa	8 40	12 23	4 29	8 41
Danville	8 55	12 37	42	8 58
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THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 1897.

PENROSE FOR SENATOR.

He Defeats Wanamaker in the Republican Caucus by a vote of 133 to 75.

The Republican members of both branches of the state legislature met in caucus in Harrisburg last Tuesday night to nominate a candidate for United States Senator. John Wanamaker and Boies Penrose both of Philadelphia, were named, and the vote resulted in the choice of Penrose, he receiving 133 votes, and his opponent 75. It requires only 128 votes to elect, so Penrose will be elected.

After the result was known Mr. Wanamaker gave out the following statement for publication :

The result is not unexpected. It seems like a miracle at the first go off in such an effort as this to break 7¢ holes in the slate machine.

No one not inside the committee of business men who have conducted this battle can imagine the magnitude of the forces against us.

The power of an old, well-watched, carefully-greased State machine, the State Committee, its offices and funds. The reflex of the National Committee through the State Representative who used the office in New York last autumn in conducting a campaign against me.

"The assuming in advance and distribution of the places of the McKinley Administration to control votes of members on the Senatorial question were all powerful obstacles in this battle royal. Who would ever have thought that a few business man could wage such a war practically within the brief period since the Presidential election ? It only shows what will be done with a better, stronger, more persistent organization.

"The nation began in '76, and the new Pennsylvania may begin with the votes of the '76 true men who remembered the sacred right of the people in petition and voted without domination.

"This election is simply the expression of the will of one man, who, after promising the senatorial offices to the Governor and other citizens use the power of patronage to shut off whom he pleases irrespective of the people's wishes.

It is rather rough on the greatest State of the Union, but it is a great victory for me and for the business men, as I look at it.

"My sincerest thanks to all who have shown friendliness to me, and I have only to add that, while I hold it is the duty of every one participating in the party caucus to abide by the will of the majority, it was an error to state that the motion to make the Senatorial nomination unanimous was made at my request."

A One-Sided Legislature.

The Legislature of Pennsylvania met on Tuesday under peculiar circumstances. The preponderance of Republican representatives is so great that if half of the nnmbers should die or move out of the State that party would still have a comfortable working majority. In this state of affairs the ordinary curb upon unfair, partisan legislation does not exist. The Democratic minority is a mere appendage, without power to help itself or to hinder the enemy. There is, in fact, no restraint upon the majority in the Legislature, except the limitations of the Constitution. The Executive veto would prove no stop.

This is both unprecedented and dangerous. It is not only dangerous to the Commonwealth, but dangerous to the party in control. It when the present Legislature shall have done its work and adjourned the people of Pennsylvania shall be as well off in person and estate as they are now on the day of its assemblage there will be good reason for thanksgiving. The noisome struggle over the Senatorship makes a cloudy beginning.—*Phila. Record.*

Ex-Judge Thayer of Philadelphia, and Judge Stanley Woodward of Wilkes-Barre are agitating the matter of having a commission for the granting of liquor licenses. They claim that the granting of licenses is not a judicial act, and ought not to be imposed upon the courts. A law to this effect will probably be introduced in the legislature.

THE LEGISLATURE.

The state legislature convened in Harrisburg on Tuesday at noon. Senator S. J. M, McCarrell of Dauphin was elected President pro tem of the senate, E. W. Smiley of Venango, chief clerk.

Henry K. Boyer of Philadelphia, was elected Speaker of the House, J. B. Rox of Huntingdon, chief clerk, and A. D. Fetterolf of Montgomery, reading clerk. After listening to the Governor's message and doing some routine work the legislature adjourned until Wednesday morning.

Watching a Beating Heart.

Its Movements Clearly Discernible by the Roentgen Rays.

In a recent number of the Lancet it was shown that with proper apparatus and experience the X rays could be turned to practical account in the diagnosis of the disease of the heart or other internal organs. When a focus tube is placed behind a person so that the rays pass through the thorax, a striking effect is produced. The bones are very clearly depicted, while the heart is seen as a definite shadow in contradistinction to the light area around. This light area is occupied by the lungs, which are not dense enough to stop the rays, but allow them to pass through and give rise to a fluorescence on the screen. The shadow of the heart is not uniform in intensity, being lighter at the margins than towards the centre, but the outline can be clearly seen and its pulsating movements detected. The lower limit of the thorax is bounded by a dark shadow, which corresponds to the diaphragm, with the liver beneath it, and the ascent and descent of the diaphragm with each respiration can be clearly seen.

Several recent cases of the determination of the existence of suspected aneurisms are also given in the Lancet, the enlarged growth of the arteries showing up quite distinctly on the fluoroscope and proving beyond a doubt the nature of the trouble.

His Commission $2,000,000.

Henry W. Oliver's Princely Share of the Mesaba Range Deal.

The princely commission of $2,000,000 has, it is reported, been received by Henry W. Oliver, the iron and steel manufacturer of Pittsburg, for having effected the Rockefeller-Carnegie ore deal, by the terms of which the Carnegie Steel Company and the Oliver Iron and Steel Company secured a lease for 50 years of the Mesaba Range, Minnesota, and will soon be able to command the markets of the world.

The discovery of the Mesaba mines, the fierce contests for their possession and the subsequent lease to the Carnegie-Oliver interests are the subjects of much animated discussion at the clubs and among manufacturers, bankers and business men generally. Mr. Oliver's connection with the deal has become most prominent, and is most frequently complimented. The story of Mr. Oliver's $2,000,000 commission is credited among his closest friends.

Europe and Peace.

An interesting autograph letter of the late Signor Crispi was sold the other day at a sale in Berlin. Its contents were as follows: "Some assert that Europe inclines to peace. It is an illusion. The powers who are thinking of revenge, or who have ambitious plans, do not plunge into a war, because they fear it. On the day when they think themselves sure of success, peace will be at an end and Europe will be turned into a battlefield." It is to be presumed that the autograph is dated, but the English correspondent who sends it does not mention a date.

Its Sticking Qualities.

The figure nine got into the calendar January 1889, and will stay 111 years from that date, or until December 31,1999. No other figure has ever had such a conservative run, and the 9 itself has only once before been in the race which lasted over a century in which it continuously figures. The ninteenth century did not begin until January 1, 1801. Similarly, the twentieth century begins January 1, 1901, four years from the first of January.

The Supreme Court on Monday handed down an opinion reversing the lower Court of Philadelphia, and granting a uew trial in the case of ex-mayor W. B. Smith against the *Times* Publishing Co. The reversal is on the ground that the verdict of $45,000 damages for libel is excessive.

The report that Gen. Antonio Maceo is still alive, is based upon a telegram to Captain General Weyler from General Prat, a Spanish commander operating in the province of Matanzas who says he had an engagement with Maceo's forces, which was led by Maceo himself.

Mayor McKinley will be the third Methodist President.

Editing a Newspaper.

Editing a newspaper is a pleasant business—if you can stand it.

If it contains many advertisements the subscribers complain that they take too much space.

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If we stay away from church they say we are monstrously heathenish.

If we accept an invitation to a wedding they say we were only invited to "write it up."

If we go to the Opera House they say we go on free tickets.

If we are seen upon the streets too often they say we neglect our business.

If we avoid going on the streets they say we don't hustle around after the news.

If we reject a long winded communication its author becomes furiously enraged and discontinues his paper.

If we publish lengthy communications our readers say we lack discretion and put in anything "to fill up."

If we neglect to decorate our office windows on the Fourth of July, they say we lack enterprise and that there isn't a drop of patriotic blood flowing in our degraded barcasses.

If we swell out in a new suit of clothes and celebrate ground hog day, they say we got our clothes in payment for advertising, and that we are by far too foppish.

If, in our frailty, we sometimes perpetrate a joke, or make a stagger at a poor little pun, they say we are exceedingly light and won't do.

If we omit any jokes they say we are poor, miserable fossils.

If we are single they say we are too helpless to get married.

If we are not single they say it is a pity for our wives.

If we publish a man who has brought disgrace upon his family, the friends of the family never forgive us. If we out of goodness of heart, decline to say anything on the subject, the man's enemies are disappointed, and we are branded as white-livered cowards.

We are able to stand these raps and many more, and are always ready to receive visitors whether accompanied by a dog or not. Of course we do not claim there is any work in running a newspaper: everyone knows it is a snap.—*Ex.*

A Monster Fox Hunt.

Some 500 Hounds and 1000 Riders to Follow.

Phœnixville, Pa., Jan. 4.—The Phœnix and William's Corner hunts are preparing to give the greatest fox hunt ever seen in the Schuylkill Valley, and probably in the State. The event is to come off about February 1 and 1000 invitations have already been sent out. Two large male foxes are already in readiness to be dropped, and as they have led other chases there is no doubt but what they will make good runs. The first fox will be dropped at 10.30 o'clock in the morning on a bluff near the historic Moore Hall mansion, where Washington and his wife were entertained 100 years ago. The second fox will be dropped at 2.30 in the afternoon at a point where Washington often forded the Schuylkill while encamped at Valley Forge.

The following hunts will participate: Radnor, Monmouth, Bellwood, Garber, Washington, Rose Tree, Garber Black Rock, Pinkerton, Birdsboro, Kimberton, Zionville, Gulf Mills, Anselma, Birchrunville, Valley, Tinfield, Williams' Corner, Phœnix, West Chester, Collegeville and others. It is expected that there will be at least 500 hounds and as many riders. Last year's hunt was a big affair, but this year's hunt will be the greatest of the kind ever witnessed in the Schuylkill Valley.

Whitehall Cure

"I suffered with my stomach, which was in such a condition that I could eat hardly anything without distress, and nearly everything which I ate seemed to produce gas in my stomach. The doctor pronounced my disease dyspepsia in the worst form. I was treated for about six months and could not see that I was getting any better. In fact I was growing worse, and friends advised me to take Hood's Sarsaparilla. After using four bottles I was able to eat a meal and feel no distress after it, and I was able to attend to my household duties without any fatigue which I formerly felt. My health has been much better in every way since I took Hood's Sarsaparilla." ADA MCVICKAR, Whitehall, Pa. Get only

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A Happy Return.

Mrs. Paul R. Tatro arrived home yesterday from Bloomsburg Pa., where she has been staying for the past six weeks under the care of the eminent oculist, Dr. J. J. Brown of that place.

Dr. Brown operated upon her right eye four weeks ago last Monday for the removal of a cataract, and she comes home seeing and enabled to read even the smallest type, greatly to her own satisfaction and delight of her friends.—*Winchendon, Massachusetts Courier.*

Steel Works Resume.

The Johnson company, steel motor works, which have been idle for several weeks, will resume in full this week. This means that several hundred idle men will be put to work. The Cambria Iron Company's open hearth mill resumed operations Monday morning and the steel works, blooming mill and billet mill will start up to-morrow. This will be good news to a large number of the men who have been out of work off and on during the last seven or eight months.

Luzerne Auditors May Have to Go.

The County Controller and the Board of County Auditors of Luzerne County have agreed to submit their dispute to the Court for the settlement. A case stated will be submitted to the Court. The Controller says the law makes no provision for Auditors in counties with over 150,000 population; that the Controller takes the place of auditors in Luzerne and Schuylkill Counties, and that, therefore, the Luzerne auditors have no claim whatever upon the taxpayers.

The following letters are advertised January 5, 1897. Marianna Eastburn, Miss Martha A. Gillaspy, Mr. George Harris, Miss Maze Hubler, Mr. Frank Lewis, Miss Helen Miller. Cards. Mr. A. J. Harter, Mrs. Flora Voris. Will be sent to the dead letter office Jan. 19, 1897.

JAMES H. MERCER, P. M.

Several hundred cattle, hogs and dogs were bitten by a mad dog near Auburn, Schuylkill county, and had to be killed.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the members of the Columbia County Agricultural, Horticultural and Mechanical Association for the election of officers will be held in the Court House, Bloomsburg, Pa., on Saturday, January 16, 1897, at two o'clock p. m.

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Ladies' and misses', fleece lined at 25c.

Children's, 8c., 12½c., 16c., 18c., and 25c., according to the size.

Men's 60 per cent. wool, made to sell at 75c.—a good buy at that—our price 50c.

WRAPPERS.

Do you know what it means to buy a *good* well made wrapper. One that is made of good material, that will wash and wear well. We sell, they all say, the best of them—the Keystone Wrapper. Try one.

TABLE LINEN.

Any house wife wants nice table linen. We have—well you know our reputation in this line—elegant linens of it in unbleached and bleached.

Unbleached, good quality, 25c.

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Unbleached table linen, made to sell at 88c. and 85c. the yd. 68 inch wide, 50c., 60c. and 65c.

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A window full of them. Goods you never bought or thought of buying at any such a price in a few months again. They are all wool, right in every respect but the price—they always brought 25 per cent. more. Now they are 37½c.

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We had an elegant trade on lamps during the holidays—never was better—but as any one knows we have a few left. We don't want them, put a price on them to go. Here you can save money. Any lamp in the store at a discount of 25 per cent.

PEAS.

Have you ever tried the famous Tandem Pea. The best pea put up in cans—guaranteed so by Austin, Nichols & Co. of New York. Want any better guarantee? Can't be had. Regular price 18c. We have a few while they last at 14c. the can.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of James Johnson, late of Madison township, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of James Johnson, late of Madison township, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administrator de bonis non cum testamento annexo, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to

Snyder, Atty. WILLIAM JOHNSON, *Admr. d. b. n. c. t. a. Jerseytown, Pa.*

1-7-6t.

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1-7-2m.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned appointed by the Court, to make distribution of the funds in the hand of the Sheriff of Columbia County, realized from the sale of the personal property of Samuel Smith of Fishingcreek township, will sit at his office in the town of Bloomsburg Pa., on Saturday the 30th of January 1897 at 10 o'clock a. m., when and where all parties having claims must appear and present the same or be debarred from coming in on said fund.

1-7-4t. ANDREW L. FRITZ, Auditor.

PARTITION NOTICE.

In the matter of the partition of the estate of Adam Utt, deceased.

To Margaret Utt, widow of Adam Utt, deceased, of the township of Greenwood, Columbia county, Pa.; Wm S. Utt, Rohrsburg, Columbia county, Pa.; Elias C. Utt, Hazleton, Luzerne county, Pa.; Freeman Utt, Rohrsburg, Columbia county, Pa.; Anna Utt, intermarried with John Johnson, Rohrsburg, Columbia county, Pa; Clark Utt, a minor having for his guardian George W. Utt, Rohrsburg, Columbia county, Pa., Warren Utt, a minor having for his guardian Charles Dildine, Greenwood twp., Columbia county, Pa.; Mary Utt, intermarried with Wm Johnson, Lincoln, Nebraska; Geo. W. Utt, Greenwood, Nebraska, being widow and children of Adam Utt, deceased.

You are hereby notified that in pursuance of an order of Orphan's Court of Columbia county a writ of partition has issued from said Court to the Sheriff of said county, returnable the first Monday of February, A. D 1897, and that the inquest will meet for the purpose of making partition of the real estate of said decedent on Saturday, the 30th day of January, A. D. 1897, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 4 p. m., on the premises of Adam Utt, deceased, in Greenwood township, Columbia county, Pa., at which time and place you can attend if you see proper.

Chrisman, atty. J. E. McHENRY, *Sheriff.*

1-7-tf.

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BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 7, 1897.

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BRIEF MENTION.

About People You Know.

Miss Margaret Laubach spent Saturday in Berwick.

Jacob Fisher of Mainville, gave us a call on Monday.

E. S. Bowman of Berwick, was in town on Wednesday.

F. L. Richetts of Ganoga Lake, spent Tuesday in town.

Mrs. William Leverett returned to Philadelphia on Monday.

Ex-Sheriff Aaron Smith of Hemlock, was in town on Tuesday.

H. A. Kemp of Benton was a Bloomsburg visitor on Monday.

M. W. McHenry of Stillwater was in town on Monday.

Chandlee Eves of Millville gave us a pleasant call on Monday.

Mr. John McCarrin of Scranton visited friends in town last week.

John Watson was a visitor to friends at Wilkes-Barre on Saturday.

Representative William Chrisman left on Sunday evening for Harrisburg.

John Daily of Mt. Carmel, was among the visitors to town last week.

I. K. Schweppenheiser of Mifflin, attended to business in town on Saturday.

Miss Mary Gruver returned from a visit to New York City on Thursday.

W. E. Fisher returned on Friday after a week's visit to friends at Hazleton.

Miss Anna Martz of Berwick was the guest of Miss Nellie Ent on Saturday.

Rev. Robert McClean of Muncy, preached in the Presbyterian church on Sunday.

Miss Fannie Brown of Mt. Carmel spent Sunday in town visiting her sister Katie.

J. S. Woods, is in Lewisburg this week, looking after the sale of a large timber tract.

William Moncelius and F. M. Everett of Mt. Carmel spent Sunday with friends in town.

Art Chamberlain of Wilkesbarre, visited at C. P. Sloan's on Market Street over Sunday.

John McHenry and son Atwood, of Stillwater, transacted business in town on Saturday.

John Wente, a well known business man of Wilkesbarre, was a Bloomsburg visitor last week.

H. F. Kelchner of Benton, was among the many who transacted business in town on Tuesday.

Mr. Crosswaite Laubach of Freeland, is visiting his uncle, D. S. Laubach on East Third Street.

Rev. E. H. Yocum, D. D., Presiding Elder, preached in the Methodist tabernacle Sunday night.

William Prior, of Williamsport, superintendent of the Telephone Company was in town on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Unangst of New York city, spent a few days in town this week visiting relatives.

Mrs. Joseph Linville of Berwick, visited her daughter Miss Sue, at the Exchange Bakery last Thursday.

C. M. Grover of Geneva, Iowa, arrived in town from the west on Saturday. He will remain here some time.

John Traub and Charles Kern, two young men of Sunbury, are on a visit to William Traub's on East Street.

James M. Reed of Philadelphia was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Yost of East Third street, over Sunday.

Geo. W. Miller Jr., and wife of Weatherly, spent Sunday here being the guests of the latter's father, J. H. Creveling.

F. M. Kelly returned to Parsons, West Virginia, on Saturday. He spent the holidays in town with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Laubach attended the funeral of Mrs. David Laubach, which was held at Fairmount Springs on Tuesday.

After a visit of several weeks to her sister Mrs. Freas Hicks at Hummelstown, Miss Leatha Lockard returned home last week.

Lincoln Boody, of Rupert, left on Saturday for a trip to Philadelphia. In order to show his appreciation of the efficient services rendered in his marble works, he took with him Isaac Shaffer, who has been in his employ for some years. Mr. Boody pays all the expenses.

E. N. Perrin and family, who have been visiting relatives in town for a week or more, returned to their home in New York on Saturday.

Miss Bertha Erath of Wilkesbarre and Miss Grace Sleppy of Kingston, visited at the home of W. K. Armstrong, on Catharine St. this week.

Mrs. H. R. Fowler of Williamsport, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Moore Dawson, on Catherine street. Mr. Fowler was formerly a resident of this town.

After spending a week visiting her parents in town, Miss Dora Laubach returned to Philadelphia on Saturday, where she is engaged teaching school.

Tommy Evans of Danville, son of John Evans, the contractor who met his death while at work on the new M. E. Church, was in town over Sunday visiting friends.

Samuel Hess, who has been visiting relatives and friends in Bloomsburg and vicinity for the last two weeks, returned to Philadelshia on Saturday. He is a student at the Dental College at that city.

Mr. John Bates, a former resident of town, but now of Wilkesbarre, attended the funeral of his uncle John Bates, which was held at Catawissa, on Saturday. He returned to this town, and spent Sunday and Monday with P. S. Harman and W. F. Bodine

Legal advertisements on page 7.

Farmers are using corn for fuel in Nebraska.

The new moon will be "full" in abont two weeks.

Corn is bringing only nine cents a bushel in Nebraska.

The date on the calendar on Friday will be "8."

A little girl arrived at the home of J. Saltzer last week.

Overcoats were burdensome the fore part of this week.

In snappy weather a person's heels crack on frosty boardwalks.

It looks as though Pen rose in the estimation of the legislators.

Protracted meeting is now going on at the Methodist Tabernacle.

The man with a bank account is able to check bothersome creditors.

The recent muggy weather has induced an unusual amount of sickness.

The public schools opened on Monday after the Christmas vacation.

The Jersey peach crop failure statement has not yet put in an appearance.

Alex. Lockard is happy these days, as a young son arrived at his home last week.

Cornell foot ball team cleared $3000 over and above all expenses this season.

Governor-elect Frank S. Black, of New York, was inaugurated at Albany, on Friday last.

Although the town clock "strikes" every hour during the day it continues working just the same.

Business at Springfield, Ohio, is seriously interfered with by reason of 2,500 cases of "grip."

After the Cuban war is over Weyler might make a big stake by going on the dime museum stage.

"Divine Healer" Schrader, who has been working at York for some time has skipped to Reading.

A queer thing about some men turning over new leaves is their using three or four fingers to do it.

If this craze keeps up there will soon be more "boy hypnotists" than there are subjects to work upon.

The winter term at the Normal School commenced on Monday. The number of students is said to be large.

The Board of County Auditors at Wilkesbarre last week, surcharged the outgoing board of Commissioners $10,490.

"Peck's Bad Boy" at the Opera House, was poorly attended Friday night. The performance was fair.

It would require a search warrant in the hands of half a dozen sheriffs to find the crossing on East and Fifth Street.

Official statistics show that there are 688,000 single women and girls in Massachusetts, and 696,000 unmarried males.

Five hundred and fifty marriage licenses were issued in Northampton county in 1896, against 561 the previous year.

It is said that the potato crop was so large and prices so low in the west that the most of them were left in the ground.

Some men seem to think that a pew rent receipt is a passport to heaven, but they will no doubt see their mistake later.

Workmen are cutting up into fire wood the many large trees that were blown down at Oak Grove by the cyclone last fall.

Good resolutions were made in plenty, but in numerous cases those trying to carry them out showed it was a load for them.

The impurities in the blood which cause scrofulous eruptions are thoroughly eradicated by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Mrs. William Shaffer's little son Andrew, had an arm broken while playing on the Fifth Street School ground on Monday afternoon.

The December output of collieries in the Pottsville district was sufficient to raise January wages 7 per cent. above the $2.50 basis.

A daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Shaffer died on Sunday night, aged about seven years. The funeral services took place on Tuesday.

George Miles, Henry Cooper and Hiram Sandel are the new Commissioners of Montour county. They have elected J. C. Peiter as their clerk.

Mr. Layton Runyon lost a valuable cow on Sunday night. It seemed to be perfectly well at night, and was found dead in the stable next morning.

The mints of the United States coined 1,914,000 silver dollars during the month of November. There were also coined 4,053,000 one cent pieces.

Charles Davidson, congressman-elect from the Beaver district, died at Phoenix, Arizona, on Saturday night. There are already a number of candidates for the vacancy.

Thomas Doyle, aged 22 years, of Shamokin blew off the left side of his face by the accidental discharge of his gun while on a New Year's hunting trip. He may not recover.

Grant, son of H. N. White of Afton, died on Monday at six o'clock in the afternoon, of membranous croup, aged five years. The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon at one o'clock.

Death entered the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sullivan, of Seventh Street on Monday afternoon, and took away from them their little four-year-old daughter, Catharine Theresa.

Fifteen "wanderers from home," found lodging in the lockup on Monday night. This is quite a large number for the first Monday in the new year, and the lockup bids fair to do a big business in 1897.

The patrons of the Opera House will it is hoped, in a short time, have an opportunity of seeing one of the finest productions on the road. The management have nearly completed the arrangements whereby they will soon be able to announce the date on which will appear Hoyt's Company in "A Trip to Chinatown." This play will be guaranteed and all those who attend will get the worth of their money.

The League of Christian Endeavor of Central Pennsylvania Conference of the United Evangelical Church, convened in Grace Church, Williamsport, Friday and Saturday, January 1 and 2. A very interesting program was carried out, each subject being opened by very practical and instructive addresses. The subjects in general were live ones and were touched upon by very pointed remarks.

An inspection of Col. Ent Post No. 250, and public installation of officers took place in G. A. R, Hall last Friday night. The post was inspected by Clark Harder of Catawissa, and the officers were installed by Comrade Geddes. After the ceremonies were over the members and invited friends partook of many good things consisting of oysters, hot coffee etc., and the veterans had a good time in general.

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Begin the new year by being prompt, and save time by saving your time-piece.

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J. E. ROYS.

Only one week in the new year gone, and there are already many backsliders among those who resolved to do better during 1897. It is not what you decide to do, but the keeping of your self-promises that counts.

The wedding of George W. Sherman of Wilkesbarre, and Miss Laura Nagle, took place at the home of the bride's parents at Rohrsburg, on Thursday, December 24th.

Dr. and Mrs. Shuman gave a large party at their home in Jerseytown on New Year's day. Mrs. Freas Brown, R. Rush Zarr and wife, and Warren Shuman of Bloomsburg were among the guests.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR RENT. The west half of a double house on East Third street, Bloomsburg. Possession given on December 1st. All modern conveniences. Rent reasonable. Apply to J. W. Conner, Orangeville, or D. W. Campbell, Bloomsburg. 11-19-tf.

Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!

Ask your Grocer to-day to show you a package of GRAIN-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as an adult. All who try it, like it. GRAIN-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. ¼ the price of coffee. 15c. and 25c. per package. Sold by all grocers. 1-7-4td.

HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Billousness, Indigestion, Headache. A pleasant laxative. All Druggists.

- - A COAT SALE. - -

We have reduced the prices on all coats to close them out quickly, Now is your chance of buying a coat for little money, and the best part of winter before you for wearing it. First comers get the choice. They are all of this season's newest and choicest coats.

A $12.50 ladies' coat for $8.50.
A $ 7.50 " " " $5.00.
A $10.00 " " " $7.00.

And other grades higher and lower. Don't delay. Now is your time for buying a high grade coat for little money.

Dress Goods.

We have reduced the price of many lots of dress materials that we will include in the coat sale. So here's a chance for you dress goods buyers, as well as the coat wanters. It will pay you to see them.

Underwear.

You want underwear this weather. We think it would pay you to examine our lines. Both ladies' and children's goods.

Flannel Skirts.

We have reduced the prices of ladies' flannel skirts to move them quickly. Now is your opportunity of procuring a first-class woolen skirt for little money.

Leggins, wool hoods, ice wool squares, wool caps, children's caps.

Outing flannel night gowns—full line.

Kid Gloves.

Try our one dollar kid glove.

H. J. CLARK & SON.

I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

THIS IS OUR MONTH FOR CUTTING PRICES, AND YOUR MONTH FOR BARGAINS.

SEE A PARTIAL LIST BELOW.

Ladies' Jackets—
Were $17.50,—now $12.50.
$12.50 and $15.00—now $9.50
$10.00 ones—now $7.50
$7.50 and $8.50—now $5.00
$5.00 ones—now $3.75

Misses' and children's coats reduced the same way.

Fur Capes—
Were $40.00—now $30.00
$17.50—now $12.50
Bargains in other capes.

Lot of men's wool underwear reduced to 39c from 50 and 75c.
$1.00 ones to 75c.
$1.25 ones to 98c.

Blankets—
From $1.50 to $1.00
From $2.25 to $1.50
From $5.00 to $3.75

Outing Cloth Night Dresses—
From 89c to 69c.
From 69c to 50c. All new.

Fur and feather Boas, Muffs, Fur Trimmings, lot of Mittens and Gloves, Fascinators, Hoods, Leggins, &c—all these come in for a share of the cut prices.

A nice lot of Dress Goods are to be closed out at a big reduction.

We want our Mid Winter Sale to be a good one for you and us, hence we are throwing away all our profit and even more.

I. W. HARTMAN & SON.

IN offering our patrons the compliments of the season, and thanking them very heartily for their patronage during 1896, we are pleased to say that as the curtain rises for 1897, it finds us still "on the stage," better equipped than ever to act our part as the leading Jewelers and Stationers.

During the past year, in spite of the "hard times" we have been pushing ahead adding to our stock and increasing our facilities for doing both work and business, so that we open the new year decidedly in advance of any house of our kind in Columbia county.

We appreciate however, that it is but by the kind patronage of our friends that success can be maintained, so in the future as in the past, shall always strive to merit their favor. We remain

Yours very truly,

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YOU ARE INVITED TO CALL AT

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.....any day from 7 a. m. to 10 p. m. and inspect his.....
.....immense line of beautiful.....

....CHRISTMAS GIFTS....

WE MENTION A FEW FOR EXAMPLE, BUT "THERE ARE OTHERS":

LEATHER GOODS of all kinds and descriptions.
PERFUMERY—The most beautiful stock in town.
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---MONDAY---
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WANTED TO LYNCH THE MURDERER.

He Was a Newspaper Man, But the Crowd Were Anxious to Hang Him.

Captain Lees was seen walking along Market street the other day holding a dark complevioned young man of sinister countenance by the arm. People turned and glanced back, wondering if the captain had captured another dangerous criminal. The captain was talking in a loud and angry tone and gesticulating violently. He was heard to say:

"You cold-blooded murderer, you! I'll put you where you won't make any more trouble. I've got a rope around your neck already."

Several people heard it and turned to follow the couple, staring curiously at the prisoner.

"If you make a move," roared the captain, "I'll blow the top of your head off."

The prisoner looked decidedly uncomfortable.

"We were a long time getting you, but now that we have landed you you can commence getting yourself ready for a necktie party."

"Lynch him!" yelled some one in the great crowd that had surrounded the couple.

"Hang the murderer!" yelled half a dozen voices; and several of the foremost impelled by those behind, rushed upon them.

"Stand back there! What's the matter with you?" demanded the captain.

"Hang him!" they shouted, as they seized the dark young man.

"What do you want to hang him for?"

"He's a murderer."

"Oh, go and attend to your own business! He's a newspaper man, and I was just telling him what I said to Devine, 'the Chicken,' when I captured him twenty-five or thirty years ago."—San Francisco Post.

Successful.

Mr. Goodman—My little man, when I was your age I didn't smoke the way you do.

Slobsy—I'll bet yer didn't. Why, dere ain't a kid in de ward dat kin inhale like me.

Ridiculously Effeminate.

"I understand that there is a revolt among the young women," said a college president.

"There is," replied the professor in mathematics.

"What seems to be the trouble?" asked the president.

"They refuse absolutely to wear the university cap and gown."

"Refuse to wear the cap and gown!" exclaimed the president in astonishment.

"Well, I don't understand that they have any particular objection to the cap, but they positively refuse to put on the gown."

"Do they give any reason?"

"Oh, yes; they say it is too effeminate and entirely out of date. Besides it hides their bloomers, and is really only fit for men to wear."—Chicago Tribune.

Taken From Life.

There was a man who bought a wheel,
He bought it for his wife,
And through the streets this man would reel,
A-risking of his life;
Just so his wife could learn to ride,
With swift and agile bounds,
He galloped onward by her side—
She weighed two hundred pounds.
Of course he couldn't keep the pace,
And soon he traveled hence;
His love a tandem now doth grace—
Her second hub has sense.
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Why He Protested.

"It's very wrong of you people to sing those gongs after 10 o'clock at night," said the man who lives on a rapid transit car line.

"Why you don't mean to say that you go to bed at 10 o'clock," said the conductor.

"N—no. I can't say that I do. But when I don't. I'm particularly anxious that my wife shouldn't be awakened."—Washington Star.

Publication.

"Know all women by these presents," began a sagacious attorney on a public proclamation.

"Know all men, &c.," corrected a fellow lawyer.

"That's all right," explained the first, "if the women know it, the men will soon hear of it."—Washington Evening Times.

The Heart First.

"I notice that you eat the heart of your watermelon first," said the theorist. "That is all wrong. You ought to save it up till the last." "H'm," said the other man; "according to your theory, a man oughtn't to begin the honeymoon until he had been married ten or twelve years."

Nanette's Difficulty.

First Goat—Why, Nanette! what's the matter?

Second Goat—Appendicitis, William.

First Goat—Stovepipe?

Second Goat—No; art postera.—New York Press.

Importance.

Ferry—How did you get that black eye?

Hargreaves—Got knocked down by a confounded scorcher.

"Was he on his wheel?"—Cincinnati Enquirer.

A QUEER DISCOVERY.

Live Bats Found One Hundred Feet Deep in the Earth.

A nest of live bats was found 10 feet underground in Snowshoe Gulch near Cottage Grove, in Oregon, the other day. This is considered a most remarkable discovery, and those who have visited the place and seen the animals are at loss to account for it.

John Dinman and Andrew Wilson have been developing a claim in the gulch by running a tunnel to reach the vein. The tunnel runs obliquely, and a few days ago, when a depth of 150 feet had been reached, the rock began to assume a different condition. It sounded loose, or hollow, in that particular spot, and the partners knew that they were nearing what in miners parlance is called "a change."

Their "holes" were nearly loaded when this discovery was made, but they continued loading, and then went to the surface and touched off the charge. Upon their return they expected to find a vein uncovered, or, at least a rock of different character from that through which they were running.

But quite a different matter attracted their attention when they went back to the end of the tunnel, and the circumstance has been the wonder of the entire country ever since. It has created an immense amount of discussion scientific and otherwise, but no certain explanation has yet been adduced.

Instead of finding ore for any particular change in the rock, they found the tunnel full of bats. The cause of the peculiar sound that indicated a change of ground was a small cave, and into this their last shots broke and out of which came the bats. How the bats got into the cave is the problem, and what sustained them there? The point is about 100 feet below the surface, and there is apparently no opening or means of ingress or exit. The bats when caught and taken out to the day light, appeared to be without eyes and able to fly but little way. In fact, their wings were but meagerly developed. The first thing that attracted the men's attention upon their return to the tunnel was the peculiar odor, which, notwithstanding the amount of gas from the exploded powder, was quite perceptible and disagreeable.

The only solution of the strange occurrence that has yet been offered lies in the fact that the rock is of metamorphic and aqueous origin, and, being in the Cascade range, is of recent occurrence. The rock is a closely bedded shale, and at the time of the geological distrubance that put it into its present position the bats had their nests there and became incased as they were found. It would seem, too, that the bats must be of that nature that becomes dormant and able to retain life without food. An effort was made to save some of them alive but they rapidly succumbed to the sunlight and fresh air.—San Francisco Call.

A Ranchman's Luck.

A story is told about a panther that was trapped by Luke Anderson, who has a small ranch in the Smut Creek Valley of the Big Horn Mountain. Smut Creek is a small stream about five miles long, flowing through the ranch from a series of springs up among the mountains. Near one of these springs Luke set his trap, a big steel affair weighing seventeen pounds and usually used for big bears.

Luke thought that panthers were stealing his sheep and that they lived somewhere among the thickets about the headwater of the creek. He went to the trap on four successive days but found that nothing had disturbed it. He skipped the fifth day.

On the sixth day, when he approached the trap from down stream he heard a groaning sound and the rustling of leaves. He peered over a rock at the place he had set this trap.

The place had been disturbed somewhat. Every small bush within five yards was torn up by the roots. A dead rotten log that had served as a side of the trap pen was torn and scattered about in fragments. The ground itself had been ripped up and plowed clear to the bed rock two feet beneath. No trap nor beast was in sight. Luke looked about quickly. He could hear the groans, and they sounded uncomfortably close.

On the far side of the rock behind which he was Luke saw the tips of the ears of an animal. Luke slid out of that quickly. He backed away with rifle cocked and made a detour of several rods. Then, to his surprise, he saw not one, but two panthers. One of the two had its leg in the trap. The other was beside it, licking down the trapped one's neck tenderly, as an old cat licks a kitten. The wounded one was groaning.

Luke shot the untrapped one and then killed the other. He found that the trapped animal was a male, with an ugly face. The other was a sleek-coated female.

The Plucky Bluejay.

My raspberry patch is fifty feet square, surrounded by a wire fence. So many birds make their home in the wooded rooms within ten feet that it is necesary to protect this patch by netting, which is supported by wires strung overhead. The net hangs over the sides of the fence three or four feet. Occasionally a bird gets inside, especially the blue jay. We catch them and let them go unharmed. Yesterday my man and myself were near and saw a blue jay in there with a ripe raspberry in his bill, fluttering against the net. My man went inside and chased him from one side to another three times and finnally got his hands on him at where the fence rail and the net met, but the bird managed the slip through his hands down between the net and then outside of the fence and gained his liberty. All this time he hung onto the berry and flew away with it. That certainly is a good illustration of bird pluck.—Mechan's Monthly.

Pennsylvania Mountain Tea.

Under this name the leaves of one of the golden rods, solidago odoro, are in very common use as tea by families of the German race in the interior of Pennsylvania. Men gather the leaves in the summer time, and many are said to make a good living at the work. They peddle the plant in the winter time.

NEW PRECIOUS STONE DISCOVERED.

Jewel Comes From Mexico and Was Found by Edward J. Smith.

A new and remarkable semi-precious stone has been discovered by Edward J. Smith, a Chicago diamond expert. It is not yet known whether or not the stones will be found in sufficient quantity to place them on the market. About a year ago an opal miner in Mexico sent a handful of peculiar, rough little stones to Mr. Smith for examination. In the rough some of them looked like little snail shells and some like tiny rosettes, varying in size from a very small pea to a small hickory nut. Most of them approached more or less a half sphere in shape. The rounded part was generally of the appearance of clear quartz, while in the centre of the flat side there was a prettily colored little nodule. The substance of the stone seemed to be laid in strata over this little colored kernel.

A number of the stones were polished at once, and it was found they made most beautiful settings for rings, scarf pins, and other jewelry. The upper side was given a smooth polished surface, through which the imbedded nodule distinctly showed. In most cases the nodule was of dusky red color. In some of the stones the eye-like center was not well defined, but the coloring matter was clouded across the entire stone. The vast majority of the stones, however, bore such a remarkable resemblance to an eye that it gave rise to the name "Cyslips," with which name the stone has been christened. George F. Kunze, the New York mineralogist who made the collection which H. N. Higinbotham presented to the Field Museum, said that since Mr. Smith had discovered the stone it was right that he should name it, so Mr. Smith gave it the appropriate name of Cyclops.

Last summer Mr. Smith took the stone to Europe, and the experts there said that no stone like it had ever before been known. It was highly praised and at once classed as a gem fitted to set in any kind of jewelry. The stone approaches the opal in value, and will no doubt prove a popular stone if enough of them should ever be found to make them find a place in the market. This point is as yet entirely problematical. Because of the rarity of the Cyclops Mr. Smith does not yet care to make known the name of the mines who found the first ones or the location of the mine where they were first cracked out of the rocks by the searcher after opals.

The substance composing the Cyclops is chalcedony in an entirely new arrangement, dissimilar to any form in which it has ever before been found.

An Extraordinary Tippler.

"I have seen the statement that no man could drink half a gallon of brandy a day for more than a very short time," said John L. Smith, of Linden, Va., at Willard's, "but there is a man living in the town I reside in who has never missed drinking that much brandy in a day for twenty years. His name is John Hudnall, and he owns a brandy distillery near Linden. He has used liquor as a beverage since early youth, and for the past twenty years has consumed half a gallon of brandy a day. He is not an inebriate by any means, not becoming intoxicated by the brandy. He is hale and hearty and stands well in the community where he lives as a business man. No explanation can be given of his remarkable power of withstanding the effects of liquor, but no one who knows him doubts the statement as to his having drank the amount I have said. It has not impaired his digestion in the slightest degree, as it is usually claimed it will do. The statements going the rounds as to the amount of brandy that can be used as a beverage by a man require revision."—Washington Star.

Fond of Their Priest.

According to the remarkable story which comes from the village of Santa Marina, in Abruzzi, it is not alone the Anglican curate who boasts of being loved "beyond all other men" by the ladies of the parish to which he is attached. The priest of the village named appears to have been able, without the adventitious aid of any qualification for matrimony, to similarly endear himself to his fair parishioners, whose attachment was so strong that, when their spiritual director was transferred to another sphere of duty, they went even to the length of resisting his departure from among them by physical force. Subordinating all possible mutual jealousies in the face of a common danger, they "held firmly to each other, and the soldiers had to charge them in order to get him away." So resolute was their resistance that not until one of them was killed and several others injured was it possible for the too well-beloved priest to be dragged from their midst and escorted from the village. On the whole, perhaps, the slipper-working and church-decorating system of expressing feminine devotion to the clergy, in vogue in this country, is preferable to the more demonstrative methods of Santa Marina.—London World.

Ruling Passion.

"Yes," said the charitable lady visitor, fussily, as she was being shown over the orphan asylum, "I should like to adopt a little boy, if you have one to spare. I suppose you have, you have so many of them. Now, there is a very pretty one over there in the corner. How about him?"

"O, he is not a good little boy at all," replied the Superintendent, discouragingly. "He is always getting into trouble. Why, he's been marked down twice to-day!"

"Marked down, did you say?" said the charitable lady visitor, quickly. "I'll take him."—New York Journal.

Great Diving Feat.

The greatest diving feat ever achieved was in moving the cargo of the ship Cape Horn, wrecked off the coast of South America, when an English diver named Hooper made seven descents to a depth of over 200 feet, remaining at one time 42 minutes under water. An authority states that the greatest depth to which man has been known to descend does not exceed 220 feet, which is equivalent to a pressure of 88½ pounds to the square inch.

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Choosing a Minister.

The parish kirk of Driechton had been rather unfortunate in its ministers, two of them having gone off in decline within a twelvemonth of their appointment, and now, after hearing a number of candidates for the vacancy, the members were looking forward with keen interest to the meeting at which the election of the new minister was to take place. "Weel, Marget," asked one female parishioner of another, as they foregathered on the road one day, "wha are you gaun to vote for?" "I'm just thinkin I'll vote for none o' them. I'm no' muckle o' a judge, an it'll be the safest plan," was Marget's sagacious reply. "Toots, woman, if that's the way o't, vote wi' me." "An hoo are you gaun to vote?" "I'm gaun to vote for the man that I think has the soundest lungs, an 'll no' bother us wi' deein again in a hurry."—*Scottish American.*

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Got His Money Back.

Thirty-three years ago, in the good old State of Pennsylvania, two young people decided to get married by the elopement route, says the Ashland (Ky.) *Republican.* Living at different points, and on account of parental objection, it become necessary that they meet upon neutral ground. So the lovesick swain forwarded to his turtle dove fifty good, sound dollars to enable her to fly to him, but alas for human hopes, the young lady's father intercepted the letter and pocketed the money. He likewise intercepted the letters that followed, until the young man, disgusted at the silence of the one he loved, tore her image from his heart and set his cap for another. Years passed; both parties to the little romance married and moved from the Keystone State, the young lady to a far Western State, the young man to Ashland, Ky., where he now draws a salary as an efficient city official. This morning the worthy Judge was dumbfounded to receive a letter from his sweetheart of boyhood days, inclosing a portrait of herself and just think—a check for $50. She had at last learned of the part played by her father in separating them and hastened to return the money he hypothecated, and the official—well, he got the check cashed.

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How Serpents Sleep.

One of the most curious facts with regard to snakes is that their eyes are never closed. Sleeping or waking, alive or dead, they are always wide eyed. If we take a dead snake and examine it closely we shall soon find the reason—there are no eyelids. The eye is protected only by a strong scale which forms a part of the epiderman envelope, and is cast off in a piece with that every time the reptile molts. The eye-plate is as clear and transparent as glass, and allows the most perfect vision, while at the same time (as any close observer of the habits of the snake can easily discover) it is so hard and tough as perfectly to protect the delicate organ within from the thorns and twigs among which, in flight from enemies or in pursuit of prey, the reptile so often hurriedly glides.—*Nature.*

Two Badly Puzzled Ladies.

Vernet, the French painter, was once traveling from Versailles to Paris in the same compartment with two ladies whom he had never seen before, but who were evidently acquainted with him. They examined him very minutely and commented upon him quite freely. The painter was annoyed and determined to put an end to the persecution. As the train passed through the tunnel of St. Cloud the three travelers were wrapped in complete darkness.

Vernet raised the back of his hand to his mouth and kissed it twice violently. On emerging from the obscurity he found that the ladies had withdrawn their attention from him, and were glaring contemptuously at each other. Presently they arrived at Paris, and Vernet on leaving them said, "Ladies, I shall be puzzled all my life by the inquiry, which of these two ladies was it that kissed me?"—*San Francisco Argonaut.*

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catarrh by the use of so-called blood remedies? That catarrh is not caused by blood troubles is self evident when you reflect that attacks are always due to sudden climatic changes or exposure, and occur most frequently during the winter and spring, though the blood is as pure then as in summer or fall. A remedy which quickly relieves and cures the catarrhal attacks has been found in Ely's Cream Balm.

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THE DAIRY BREEDS.

The Geneva Experiment Station gives the following results of a series of tests of the leading breeds of milch cows:

The process adopted was to establish as fairly as could be done, the prices for the milk per hundred weight, for the milk solids for cheese making per pound, and for butter fat per pound. these figures were placed at $1.28 per hundred weight for milk, 9⅛ cents per pound for milk solids, and 26⅛ cents for butter fat.

On this basis Ayrshire milk was worth as such, during the year, $87.24 per cow; its solids for cheese making were worth $81.14; and its butter fat for butter making was worth but $64.47.

The Ayrshire, according to this showing, would be worth more to the milkman than to the cheese maker, and more to the cheese maker than to the butter maker.

The milk of the Guernsey was worth $68.98, the milk solids were valued at $75.04 for cheese making, and $75.18 for butter making. Here the Guernsey is shown to be more valuable to either the butter or cheese maker than to the milkman.

The milk of the Holstein proved to be worth $101.35 when sold as milk, $87.41 in the hands of the cheese maker and $70.07 in the hands of the butter maker. The Holstein is, therefore, a better milkman's cow than a cheese maker's, and a better cheese maker's cow than she is a butter maker's cow.

The milk of the Jersey at the price assumed was worth $64.58; the solids were worth to the cheese maker $72.37, and its butter fat was valued at $74.30. The Jersey is, therefore, just the reverse of the Holstein-Friesian. She is at her best in the butter making, and the next most profitable use for her milk is cheese making; it is least profitable to the milkman.

The Shorthorn gave milk worth $72.50, the solids in the hands of the cheese maker were worth $80.85; the fat in the hands of the butter maker was worth $50.03. The figures prove the milk of the Shorthorn is the most profitable for manufacture into the cheese, the sale of milk standing second in point of profit, and the butter value coming last.

THE FRUIT MARKETS.

For several successive seasons disappointments have come to the growers of small fruits.

Frosts and drouths have ruined the crop in some localities, while large production, unequal distribution and low prices have been equally discouraging in others.

Soil, location, cultivation and mulching are all important factors in guarding against drouth. Results should be carefully noted.

Over production is practically impossible for many years to come, if distribution can be made more uniform.

The great study should be not only to produce best fruit, but so distribute it that all may have some and none too much.

The great cities are often glutted with inferior fruit, carelessly picked, poorly packed and roughly handled, making reshipment to small towns and cities an impossibility. While this may result in good pay for the transportation companies, it leaves small profits for the commission man and certain loss for the producer.

Growers should understand that it costs just as much to pick, pack, transport and sell poor fruit as good; good fruit in a fair market is sure to pay well, while poor fruit in any market is almost certain to return a loss.

The remedy is in giving more care to all the details of production and working for better markets in the smaller towns and cities.

Many good local markets are entirely overlooked in the mad rush of shipments to the larger cities. Near local markets are often best, study them well.

The proper distribution of small fruits will not be complete until special refrigerator cars are placed on all lines from which sales can be made at any point, the same as meats at the present time.

Largest Orchard in the World.

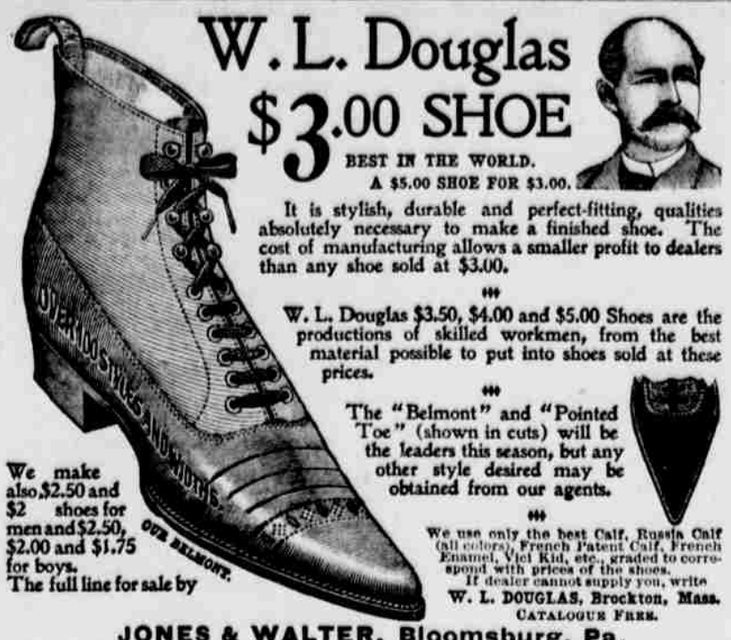
The big orchard is John Y. Stone's. Mr. Stone is a lawyer and has risen to the top of his profession, but it is his orchard that brings him the most fame. It is the largest orchard in the world—120,000 trees on 800 acres of land. The most of these trees are young. Unlike his neighbors, he plants only twelve to fifteen feet apart and the young trees, thrifty and beautiful in shape and size, make a much handsomer show than if set wide apart, and Mr. Stone figures more money in it. Scattered through the orchard are other fruit trees and grapes, and his blackberry patch covers forty acres. Twelve resident tenants live on the place. There is lots of work and lots of science in apple raising, but there is big money in it. Glenwood has a corner on apples. While all the outside world is talking of bimetallism, apples are the single standard here. I saw apples on evergreen trees, and they told me that the hens lay apples! What worried me was that with this all-bountiful profusion of apples I could only eat two.—A. S. B., in Shenandoah (Iowa) Sentinel.

His Way With Apples.

H. P. Neilson moved here with his family from Trego County, Kansas, two years ago. He has fifty acres well located, and he, with his son, will soon have the place transformed into a fruit farm. Mr. Neilson has apples the year round. Here is his manner of keeping them: He packs them in sawdust; first a layer of sawdust, then a layer of apples three deep, and so on, sawdust and apples until the box is full. Have the box also lined with sawdust on ends and sides. He has kept apples in this way till the last of May; Ben Davis till the first of May. Of course the sawdust should not be wet when used.—The Southwest.

Good Roads.

Good roads sentiment is growing, and one of these days, when other matters are attended to, the movement for better highways will come right to the front.



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Base Ball Chat.

Syracuse is to have Sunday base ball next season.

Centerfielder McVey signed a '97 contract with the Philadelphia Athletics on Thursday.

The Pittsburg club has received the signed contracts of third baseman Donnelly and pitcher Tannehill.

The Phillies have a new manager.

Joe Quinn, it is said, will be the first Baltimore player to be released. In this event, he will probably find a berth in Louisville.

It is not definitely settled yet who will be the Wilkes-Barre manager next season. There are several who would like to secure the management of the coal barons, as all the games are well attended, and a nice sum was realized by that club last season.

Base ball at Harrisburg is dead for some time to come. It is very peculiar that a city which always turned out large crowds and which manifested so much interest in the games of 1895 could come down to its present condition. Winning the pennant in that year when the club was entirely too strong for all their opponents is probably the cause.

Pitcher Carsey says that he has signed to play with the Philadelphia club another year. It is said that the management wants him to play short-stop. Until the season opens Carsey proposes to attend to his newly-leased grounds for Sunday ball. They are located between Union Hill and Guttenburg, in that part of New Jersey known as West New York. The opening game will be played on April 11 with a National League team, provided President Freedman, of the New York Baseball Club, consents.—New York *Sun*.

Although the Philadelphia club has not announced the release of Billy Nash, it looks as though the third baseman would leave the Quaker City. A young man named Gillen, who played third base for the Detroits, has been signed by Messrs. Reach and Rogers, and for this reason it is believed that Nash will be allowed to go. He should not have to look far for an engagement, for a man of his ability would be a great help to any team.—New York *Evening World*. Gillen will have to be a "wonder" to supplant Nash. He may, however, be given a trial at short.

Tired Languid Feeling.

Philadelphia, Pa. Nov. 21, 1896. "I have sugered with a tired and languid feeling and have taken Hood's Sarsaparilla and this trouble has all disappeared. I am now well and hearty and able to do a good days work. I have taken three bottles of Hood's Sarsaparilla." Wm. B. Conward, 1334 Passyunk Ave.,

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What a Dozen is.

The child is taught at school that a dozen means twelve every time, but when a child grows into a man he finds that a dozen is a very elastic term. A baker's dozen is thirteen, and so is a publisher's or a news agent's in many parts of the world. In some sections a dozen of fish means twenty-six, and there are other anomalies of this kind. But to find a dozen indicating anything from two to fifty it is necessary to go to the earthenware trade.

Here the size and weight of articles decide how many make a dozen, and in jugs, bowls, plates and so on there are two, four, six, eight or more to the dozen. A dozen composed of twelve articles is a very unusual thing in the wholesale pottery trade, and as a result there are few clerkships more difficult to hold than in this line. I tried the work once and failed ignominiously. To have to find the cost of 500 articles at so much a dozen when that dozen may mean anything is a very difficult task until a man gets thoroughly used to it.

A Pittsburg firm will ship $1000 worth of aluminum to San Francisco, Cal., to be used on an air ship.

Dogs and Feminine Affection.

Edward W. Bok writes of "Dogs and Feminine Affection" in the *Ladies Home Journal* and points out the dangers of caressing a dog, however well cared for it may be. "The most eminent physicians," he asserts, "have conclusively shown that the practice of allowing the body of a dog to come into close contact with the human body is fraught with the greatest physical evils. The cleanest dog in the world is not without this objection. It cannot be. A dog's nose should never be allowed to touch any part of the human skin. The most casual observance of a dog's habits will show the reasons for this. In fact, from whatever standpoint one chooses to look at the matter—from that of cleanliness, health or bodily danger—the practice of petting dogs with close embraces of any sort is a positive wrong. Women cannot be too careful about this, either as the practice affects themselves or, if they are mothers, their children. We can be fond of our dogs—many of them deserve human affection—but we should bestow this fondness upon them with a little careful regard for common sense. One point, of all others, cannot be too carefully regarded—the face should never be brought into close contact with a dog. A sense of cleanliness alone should forbid this, even if positive danger did not lurk in the practice."

Dr. Shields, an eminent physician of Tennessee, says: "I regard Ayer's Sarsaparilla as the best blood-medicine on earth, and I know of many wonderful cures effected by its use." Physicians all over the land have made similar statements.

What Becomes of Sunken Ships?

What becomes of the ship that sinks in midocean? If it is of wood, it takes, in the first place, considerable time for it to reach the bottom. In 100 or more fathoms of water a quarter of an hour will elapse before the ship touches bottom. It sinks slowly, and when the bottom is reached it falls gently into the soft oozy bed with no crash or breaking. Of course, if it is laden with pigiron or corresponding substance, or if it is an iron ship, it sinks rapidly and sometimes strikes the bottom with such force as to smash in pieces. Once sunken, a ship becomes the prey of the countless inhabitants of the ocean. They swarm over and through the great boat and make it their home. Besides this, they cover every inch of the boat with a thick layer of lime. This takes time, of course, and when one generation dies another continues the work until finally the ship is so laden with heavy incrustations, corals, sponges and barnacles that, if wood, the creaking timbers fall apart and slowly but surely are absorbed in the waste at the sea bottom. Iron vessels are demolished more quickly than those of wood, which may last for centuries. The only metals that withstand the chemical action of the waves are gold and platinum, and glass also seems unaffected. No matter how long gold may be hidden in the ocean, it will always be gold when recovered, and this fact explains the many romantic and adventurous searches after hidden submarine treasures lost in shipwrecks.—*Universalist.*

"There's a difference between the actor and the ball player," says the *Manayunk Philosopher*. "The actor makes a home run after failing to make a hit.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Sarah C. Reeder, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned auditor appointed by the Orphans' Court of Columbia County, to make distribution of the funds in the hands of the executor of the estate of Sarah C. Reeder, deceased, will sit at the office of B. Frank Zarr, in the town of Bloomsburg, Pa., on Thursday, the 28th day of January, 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., when and where all parties having claims against said estate must appear and present the same or be debarred from coming in on said fund.

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REAL ESTATE.

In pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, Penna., the undersigned executor of the last will and testament of George Bower, late of Briarcreek township in the said county deceased, will sell at public sale on the premises, on

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 1897,

at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day, the following described real estate, to-wit:

No. 1. A tract of land situate in Briarcreek township, Columbia county, Pa., adjoining land of David Kisner, David Shaffer, James Evans and others, containing

30 ACRES AND 14 PERCHES.

No. 2. All the right, title and interest of the said decedent in the undivided one-half of a tract of land situate in said Briarcreek township, in said county, adjoining lands of William Yohe, William Girton, Henry Martz, Ephriam Evans and others, containing

EIGHTEEN ACRES,

more or less; whereon are erected a

FRAME DWELLING HOUSE,

barn and outbuildings.

No. 3. All the right, title and interest of the said decedent in the undivided one-half of a tract of land situate in said township of Briarcreek in said county, adjoining lands of William Evans, James Lemons, John Fester and John Doak, containing

TWENTY ACRES,

more or less.

TERMS OF SALE:—Ten per cent. of the purchase money to be paid at the striking down of the property, fifteen per cent. at the confirmation of sale, and the remaining three-fourths in one year from said sale, together with interest thereon from confirmation nisi. Purchaser to pay for deed. Purchaser will be required to give bond with good and approved security for the faithful payment of the purchase money according to the above conditions.

JAMES BOWER,
Executor.
Zarr & Freeze, Attorneys.
12-31-ts.

TRUSTEE'S SALE
—OF VALUABLE—
REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of Columbia county, the undersigned trustee, appointed to make sale of the real estate of A. K. Smith, deceased, after proceedings in partition had in said estate, will expose at public sale on the premises at Jerseytown, Madison township, said county of Columbia, on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, 1897,

at one o'clock p. m., the following described real estate, being a house and lot of ground situated at Jerseytown, said township of Madison, bounded on the north by public road leading from Buckhorn to Muncy, on the east by said public road and lot of Uriah Welliver, on the south by lot of Emery Welliver, Mrs. Chas. Fruit and D. R. Johnson's estate, and on the west by public road leading from Jerseytown to Washingtonville, whereon are erected a

TWO AND ONE-HALF STORY HOTEL,

barn and other out-buildings, and is supplied with good spring water, and has been licensed as a HOTEL FOR MORE THAN FORTY YEARS.

Possession will be given February 1st, 1897.

TERMS OF SALE:—Ten per cent. of one-fourth of the purchase money shall be paid at the striking down of the property; the one-fourth less the ten per cent. at the confirmation absolute; and the remaining three-fourths in one year after confirmation nisi, with interest from that date.

JOHN B. CASEY,
Trustee.
Robt. Buckingham, atty.
12-10-ts.

PARTITION NOTICE.

In the matter of the partition of the estate of Caleb Barton, deceased.

To Thomas J. Barton, Elvina, intermarried with H. W. McReynolds, Emma, late intermarried with John Moore, decd; Anna, intermarried with Thomas Webb, all of the town of Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Pa.; Catharine, intermarried with Alfred Ale of Columbia City, of the state of Indiana.

You are hereby notified that in pursuance of an order of Orphans' Court of Columbia county a writ of partition has issued from said court to the sheriff of said county, returnable the first Monday of February, A. D. 1897, and that the inquest will meet for the purpose of making partition of the real estate of said decedent on Monday the 25th day of January, A. D. 1897, between the hours of 9 a. m. and 4 p. m., on the premises of Caleb Barton, deceased, in the town of Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Pa., at which time and place you can attend if you see proper.

Vanderslice, atty. J. E. McHENRY,
12-31-3. *Sheriff.*

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.

In the Orphan's Court of Columbia county, Pa., Estate of Stott E. Colley, late of said county, decd.

The undersigned auditor appointed by said Court to make distribution of the balance remaining in the hands of A. A. Colley, administrator of the said estate, hereby gives notice that he will meet all parties interested for the purposes of his appointment, at his office in Bloomsburg, Pa., on Monday, the 25th day of January, A. D. 1897, at 10 o'clock a. m., when and where said parties are required to prove their claims or be debarred from participating in the distribution of said fund.

A. N. YOST,
12-31-3t. *Auditor.*

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of E. J. Cole, late of Jackson twp., decd.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of E. J. Cole, late of Jackson township, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administrator, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to

C. W. Miller, Atty. D. J. FOUST, Administrator, Orange twp.
12-31 6w.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the policy holders of the Briarcreek Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company of Lime Ridge, Pa., will be held at the hall, Centre Grange, No. 56 P. of H., on January 11, 1897, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. for the election of twelve directors to serve for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

H. H. BROWN,
12-24-3t. *Secretary.*

ELECTION NOTICE.

There will be an election of a Board of Directors of the Bloomsburg Banking Company at the banking house in Bloomsburg, on Tuesday, January 12th, 1897, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to serve for the ensuing year.

H. H. GROTZ, Cashier.
12-24.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual election by the stockholders of the Farmers' National Bank, of Bloomsburg, Pa., to choose a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, will be held at the bank on Tuesday, January 12th, 1897, between the hours of two and four o'clock in the afternoon:

A. H. BLOOM,
12-3-4t. Cashier.

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BLOOMSBURG, PA.

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ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,
Columbian Building, 2nd floor,
BLOOMSBURG, PA.

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Wirt Building, Court House Square,
BLOOMSBURG, PA.

H. A. McKILLIP.
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW.
Columbian Building, 2nd Floor.
BLOOMSBURG, PA.

RALPH R. JOHN,
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Hartman Building, Market Square,
Bloomsburg, Pa.

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Moyer Bros. Building, 2nd floor,
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ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE AGENT.
Office in Lockard's Building,
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An extra accumulation of ladies' shoes in narrow widths and small sizes has induced us to put on sale several lots at greatly reduced prices. Widths A. B. and C, sizes 2½ to 4. Former price, $2.50 and $3.00, now $1.50.

W. C. McKinney.

THE COLUMBIAN.

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

SALES.

TUESDAY JAN. 12.—D. J. Poust Adm. of E. J. Cole, dec'd, will sell horses, cows, wagons, grain, etc., on the premises in Jackson township, one half mile south of Waller post-office at 10 o'clock a. m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20th, 1897.—Mrs. M. E. Cox, will sell personal property, consisting of household goods and farming implements on the premises near Pine Summit, Pa.

RARE ECONOMY AT THE ALTAR.

"I'll Go to Jersey And Save the Dollar," Said the Groom.

Watson E. Chambers and Miss Lucila P. Peck, of Ionia, N. Y., appeared at the residence of Rev. E. E. Dixon at Stroudsburg on Friday to be married. The pastor agreed to perform the ceremony: but, taking the usual precaution, asked first for the license.

"We haven't got any," replied the prospective groom. "It's necessary to procure one," answered Pastor Dixon, "before you can be married in this State."

"What do they cost?" asked the coming lord and master. He was informed that one dollar would get the license.

There was a pause for a moment or so, and then the groom sagely replied that he guessed he would "go to Jersey, and save that fee."

Uncalled For Things.

In the postal museum at Washington many interesting objects are included in the exhibit of articles which found their way into the dead letter office. There is a big rattlesnake, mailed alive, which is about 6 feet long, 2 inches thick and has nine rattles; a centipede, which was mailed alive, wrapped up in a newspaper; a human skull, sent to Professor S. D. Gross of Philadelphia eight years ago and refused by him because there was $3.19 due in postage, the package having been sealed against inspection; Big Brave Spotted Wolf's hat and anklets, and indian scalplock, an ordinary stick of wood 4 feet long and 4 in diameter, a set of false teeth, a bladder full of snuff, a genuine diamond ring and many other queer things.

If you have no person to run errands, for you, one of I. G. Deitrick's messenger boxes on your house will be a great help. It only costs 25 cents a month, and you can send as many messages in a day as you wish.

Segmond Dreifus, a prominent merchant of Milton, committed suicide on Sunday last. He was a brother of Wolf Dreifus, a son-in-law, of Mrs. D. Lowenberg of this town. His relatives can assign no cause for the deed and had noticed nothing in his actions to indicate that he was in trouble of any kind.

There is a Class of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over ¼ as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15cts. and 25cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN O.

For Sale.

A desirable house and lot. Corner lot about 50 x 80 feet, beautiful location, all modern improvements; will be sold at once. Cheap for cash, or part down and balance to suit the purchaser; or part in exchange for other property.
For further information call on S. D. Neyhard, Building, Loan and Real Estate Agent, over First National Bank, Bloomsburg, Pa. 11-15-tf.

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The large three story brick store building lately occupied by J. R. Schuyler & Co., as a hardware store for sale on reasonable terms by J. H. Maize Esq., Attorney. Office Lockard building corner Main and Centre streets. tf.

Real good property in Espy for sale cheap. It is a desirable residence, large lot, and plenty of fruit. Apply to J. H. Maize Esq.

Record of Adult Deaths in Bloomsburg During 1896. Kept by W. G. Girton.

January.
14 Bertha Reeser.
18 Frank Carpenter, Drowned.
21 Wm. E. Hartzel.
February.
5 Mrs. Anna M. Keifer.
11 John Lawall.
22 Henry Fitzwater.
22 Frederick Schwinn.
March.
7 Wm. Wolf.
16 Mrs. J. M. Gidding.
18 Mrs. Jessie R. West.
April.
1 Mrs Ebenezer May.
6 Mrs. John Sterner.
7 Jessie Hutton.
27 Rev. N. Speer.
29 Mrs. John A. Funston.
30 C. M. Drinker.
May.
3 Mrs. Fred Ikeler.
9 Mrs. Daniel Rambach.
18 Wm. Brooks.
21 Mrs. Wm. Neal.
27 Mrs. Wm. Buckingham.
June.
6 Mrs. Frank Lewis.
22 D. Webster Carter.
29 Thomas Vannatta.
July.
8 Joseph Shafer, Drowned.
15 Dr. C. E. Winner, of Hydrophobia.
19 Mrs. Elizabeth Rimerd.
30 Mrs. Susana Funston.
August.
1 Mrs. Jesse Hicks.
2 Wm. Swentzel.
21 Norman J. Hendershott.
24 Thomas Evans, Killed by fall at the new M. E. Church.
September.
8 Watson W. Furman.
11 Peter A. Evans.
17 Harry Row.
October.
8 Miss Nora Appleman.
24 Miss Martha Thomson.
25 Miss Mary Ann Paul.
27 Mrs. Hannah Fetter.
28 Mrs. Peter Ent.
November.
2 Wm. C. Jones.
9 Issachar Evans.
13 Joseph Flacherty.
20 Henry Kleim.
December.
13 Mrs. Martha Clark.
14 Isaac McCollum.
15 Miss Mattie Sobers.
18 Mrs. Smith Brewer, Colored.
23 Samuel Garinger.

NEW DISCOVERY.

Unknown to the Medical Profession for the Cure of Liquor and Opium Habit.

Dr. T. C. Harter has taken a special course of instruction by Dr. C. Henrie Lane of Pittsburg, Pa., for the treatment of the liquor and morphia habit. The latest scientific investigations have demonstrated this discovery to be the best treatment ever known. It builds up the system from the beginning and leaves good effects. It may be taken without notoriety or cessation of business activities.

This *New Discovery* is far in advance of all other cures for Liquor and Opium habit. Investigation has established the fact that inebriety is a disease of the blood vessels and fluids of the body as well as of the brain and nerve tissue. All conditions of the diseases can be cured.

The remedy acts as a tonic, causes appetite and strengthens the mind. The remedy is absolutely sure and safe, is beneficial and invigorating to manhood, restores the system to normal condition.

Dr. Harter has opened up headquarters at his Office, Cor. Main and East Sts. for the treatment of the Liquor and Opium habit, and makes a speciality of the diseases of throat, heart and lungs.

STRUCK DOWN BY A FOOTPAD.

The Miscreant Was Caught and May Be Tried For Murder.

While Anthony Gregnet was on his way home to Natalie Monday night, a man stole silently up to him at a lonely portion of the road and knocked him senseless with a large stone. A number of miners, after a brief chase, captured the footpad and later on he was identified as Michael Moritze. His victim, when carried home, was found to be in a dying condition, the front portion of his head having been stove in.

IT'S A HEATED CONTEST

The Senatorial Fight Possesses Harrisburg, End to End.

IT IS THE TILT OF THE CENTURY.

Wanamaker's Friends Loudly Proclaim His Success—Quay Firm In the Belief That His Man Will Land—Bills Likely to Be Introduced—Improvements In the Capitol.

[Special Correspondence.]

HARRISBURG, Jan. 4.—This city is in the throes of one of the most exciting and sensational contests for a seat in the United States senate that it has ever known. Great crowds of people throng the streets nightly, and the interest in the struggle for political supremacy in the state—for that is one of the issues involved in the contest—is intense. Long ago it became apparent that Senator Quay as the leader of the Republican organization in Pennsylvania was to have arrayed against him many of the elements which opposed his candidate for the chairmanship of the state committee two years ago. In the beginning of the contest for Senator Cameron's seat the real preference of Senator Quay for the succession was unknown. He maintained his usual silence regarding his plans and purpose, and despite all the efforts of his opponents to draw from him some expression of his choice of a candidate it was not until a comparatively recent date that he announced his intention to support Senator Penrose of Philadelphia. It was undoubtedly the original purpose of Senator Quay to throw his influence to Governor Hastings, but the sentiment in Philadelphia became so strong in the direction of a candidate from that city that all the party leaders conceded the force of the demand of the metropolis of the state for a representative in the highest legislative body of the country. Senator Quay was the first to recognize the danger of ignoring the demands of Philadelphia, and, realizing that it would not be possible to place Governor Hastings in the seat of Senator Cameron without seriously endangering his own political future, he came to Harrisburg and frankly stated his position to the governor. Just what took place at the interview in the executive mansion will probably never be known by the general public, but before Senator Quay left Harrisburg on that visit it was known far and wide that Governor Hastings would not be a candidate for United States senator.

Wanamaker Steps In.

Notwithstanding Senator Quay's decision to support Senator Penrose, it was believed in many quarters that he would in the end throw the weight of his influence to another candidate. It was suspected by many politicians that Senator Cameron, notwithstanding his letter of withdrawal, would in some way be injected into the contest as a compromise candidate. The relations of Quay and Cameron have always been cordial, and there were those who expressed the opinion that Senator Quay would be only too happy to return his friend to the senate for another term. If he ever had any disposition to assist in the re-election of Senator Cameron, he evidently abandoned it and entered heartily into the campaign for his young Philadelphia lieutenant. His friends throughout the state were given to understand his position, and those who had previously favored the governor lost no time in declaring themselves for Penrose. Meanwhile the supporters of ex-Postmaster General John Wanamaker had been perfecting their organization throughout the state and were now ready for a battle royal. Quay brought to his assistance largely the trained politicians of the state, while around the Wanamaker standard rallied all the anti-Quay forces, including a large representation of business men. These latter are embraced in an organization known as the National Business Men's league, which has branches in every state.

With the lines thus formed the contending forces are arrayed against each other here. At the Penrose headquarters, in the Lochiel hotel, a place made famous as the storm center of many a hard fought political battle, are to be found Senator Quay and his chief lieutenants, including his candidate for United States senator, Mr. Penrose; Lieutenant Governor Lyon, Senator W. H. Andrews, chairman of the senate committee which is investigating the municipal affairs of the city of Philadelphia; Congressman W. A. Stone of Allegheny, who will enter the next gubernatorial race; Senator C. Wesley Thomas of Philadelphia, who is talked of as the next postmaster of that city; Senator James Mitchell of Jefferson county, who is one of the most adroit and skillful politicians in the state; Major I. B. Brown, deputy secretary of internal affairs; ex-Magistrate Israel W. Durham, the Quay leader of Philadelphia, and others.

The Array of Leaders.

At the Wanamaker headquarters in the Commonwealth, one square away, are the anti-Quay leaders. These include David Martin, the Philadelphia leader; Frank Willing Leach, who is probably possessed of more unrevealed political secrets than any other man save Senator Quay in Pennsylvania; C. L. Magee, the Pittsburg leader, who has been elected to a seat in the state senate; Senator William Flinn of the same city, a shrewd and energetic campaigner; Thomas Dolan, one of the great manufacturers of the country, who successfully combines business and politics; Senator C. C. Kauffman of Lancaster, the original Wanamaker man, and others.

Rudolph Blankenburg of Philadelphia, whose friends say he has never been defeated in a campaign, is in charge of the headquarters of the Business Men's league. It is said of him that he organized the movement against General Beaver as the slated candidate of the party leaders, which resulted in the election of Governor Pattison the first time; that he was foremost in the organization which unhorsed Senator Quay in the Delamater campaign for governor and once more placed Robert E. Pattison in the gubernatorial chair, and that it was in his house in Philadelphia where the movement was organized which resulted in the withdrawal of Senator Penrose as a candidate for mayor of that city two years ago. These facts are referred to by the friends of this leader of the Business Men's league as indicative of his political foresight and discernment. He said to me today, "I believe that Mr. Wanamaker will win this fight as positively as I ever believed anything in my life."

It Is a Spectacular Fight.

The spectacular features incident to the contest are unique, and nothing approaching it has ever before been seen in a senatorial fight in Pennsylvania. The street on which are situated the headquarters of the contestants is one blaze of electric light. On the front of the Penrose headquarters have been placed in letters of fire the words, "Philadelphia's Choice For U. S. Senator, Hon. Boies Penrose," while from an arch in front of the fighting ground of the ex-postmaster general shine out brilliantly the words, "Pennsylvania's Choice For U. S. Senator, Hon. John Wanamaker." In most of the business places of the state capital there have been posted conspicuously lithographs of the candidates. By the side of Senator Penrose appears a picture of Senator Quay, as if to add strength to his candidate's cause. With the lithograph of Mr. Wanamaker is seen that of President Elect McKinley. Flags are lavishly displayed, and the city is attired in holiday dress at those points at which the friends and supporters of the two candidates are gathered. The Business Men's league occupies an entire building on Walnut street, opposite the postoffice. Here, too, electric lights shine forth and the national colors are seen in profusion. On the first floor of the building have been placed rows of chairs to be used at the meetings, and elaborate arrangements have been completed for the comfort of the members. Hotels and business houses have put on their gayest dress, and there is the greatest enthusiasm over the contest among the friends of both candidates. There is, as might be expected on an occasion of this kind, an unusually large number of visitors and strangers in the city, some of them here as lookers on, others as participants in the greatest senatorial struggle in the state's history. Of course this condition acts favorably on the capital city business man, and he looks on complacently and wishes that like struggles occurred more frequently.

The large park about the state buildings gives evidence that a fierce struggle is on, and the placards announcing the headquarters of both Mr. Penrose and Mr. Wanamaker are more numerous than on any previous occasion. Visitors swarm the buildings, and the one absorbing theme of conversation is the senatorship.

The assembling of the legislature at noon on Tuesday will bring together an even larger crowd than that which is gathered in Harrisburg now for the senatorial contest. Some will come as spectators, but many more as friends of those who are pushing their claims for places in the gift of the senate and house. There is always a small army of place hunters at the opening of a session of the legislature. They come from all parts of the state, many of them being ex-members of the senate or house.

Anticipated Legislation.

There promises to be a great grist of legislation. Bills without number have already been prepared. Some important amendments will be made to the Baker ballot law, a bill to equalize taxation with the indorsement of the state grange will be introduced, some radical changes in the game laws will be made at the suggestion of the state game commission, another attack will be made on the dealers in oleomargarine, and there is talk of a bill to create a state bureau of mines and mining. Other measures are under consideration, and Representative Robert Smith of Philadelphia will introduce a resolution to investigate the conduct of the state treasury with a view to changing the present financial methods of the commonwealth.

There promises to be a lively discussion over a bill to cover the expenses of the senate committee which has been investigating the municipal affairs of Philadelphia. It is intimated that the anti-Quay people will strongly oppose any appropriation, and they are creating the impression that Governor Hastings will refuse to sign such a bill.

There have been some very radical improvements and changes in the halls of the senate and house since the last session. On the senate side a reception room has been provided for all visitors, and hereafter those desiring to have converse with the statesmen of the upper branch will be required to send in their card and wait the pleasure of the senator. This rule was made almost necessary by the invasion of the floor during sittings of the senate by all manner of persons. On the house side the entire chamber has been remodeled so as to present a wholly new interior. This was done to improve the acoustic properties, defects in which were loudly complained of during the last session. Facetious members two years ago referred to the hall of the house as "the cave of the winds." The main rotunda has also been remodeled, and the corridor dividing the committee rooms has been arched and the sides lined with marble. These improvements and changes have cost a pretty penny, variously estimated at from $100,000 to $150,000. It might have been a good investment for the state several years ago to erect a new capitol. Changes and remodeling are so frequent as to justify the complaints that are heard at every session of the legislature about reckless expenditure of public funds.

It is generally conceded that Henry K. Boyer of Philadelphia will be the next speaker of the house, Jere B. Rex of Huntingdon chief clerk and A. D. Fetterolf of Montgomery county resident clerk. There is much gossip about the other positions, but nothing is known concerning them and will not be known until after the house caucus on Monday evening. E. W. Smiley of Venango county will be re-elected chief clerk of the senate, but no other positions in the upper branch have been fixed. John M. Rhey of Carlisle will probably be journal clerk and ex-Representative Samuel Cochrane of Armstrong reading clerk. It is said that ex-Representative Forest Nichols of Crawford county will be executive clerk. Larry Eyre of Chester will be sergeant-at-arms of the senate.

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